

## MAY SOLVE MANY ROBBERIES

The capture Sunday of two men, Curtis Sweeney and Elmer Worthy, while attempting to enter the Baudendistal & Schoen general store, Illmo, may lead to uncovering an organized gang, said to have operated in Sikeston, Poplar Bluff and Memphis, Tenn. They were lodged temporarily in the Scott County jail.

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## Fake U. S. Secret Service Agent Arrested at Illmo

Bill and Dan Carter are behind bars, one in New Madrid County jail awaiting action of the Federal grand jury, and the other in jail at Benton formally charged with impersonating an officer.

William Haines, alias William Carter, aged about 28, was picked up on suspicion Friday by special agent Elliot of the Cotton Belt Railroad, when he was found hiding in a freight car at Illmo. Haines carried an army pistol, and wore a crude U. S. Secret Service badge, home made, which it is believed, had been cut out of the bottom of a heavy aluminum pan.

Sheriff Tom Scott and a real Department of Justice agent compared notes here in Sikeston Friday night, and reached the tentative conclusion that Carter was the Haines wanted for working a postoffice rural route fraud last September at Grandin, Mo., Carter County. The scheme was worth two or three days' free board and room at the Grandin Hotel operated by James McKinney, and an automobile "borrowed" from one of two young men of that community who were supposed to be "working for the government" under Carter's supervision.

Carter blew into Grandin, established credit with the hotel and announced that he had been assigned by the Postoffice department to measure all rural routes out of Grandin, and that he wanted to employ all local labor "to assist in helping the depression." He was authorized to pay \$6 per day for a 6-hour day, 6-day week, he told prospects. Equipment consisted of a 5-cent notebook and a two-rod chain. The only provision made by Haines or Carter, was that the work was to be done accurately. He wanted rural delivery routes "measured to the inch."

At the hotel, Haines explained it might be a couple or three weeks before his expense and salary checks would arrive, and because he was extremely short of money, he succeeded in borrowing all he asked for from the hotel proprietor and others about town.

After remaining at Grandin something like two weeks, Haines borrowed an automobile owned by one of his "employees", and left. The automobile was abandoned near Doniphan.

Since that time Haines has been at large. After he was arrested and placed in jail at Benton, Sheriff Tom Scott met with a department of justice agent and casually mentioned the fact that he had Haines in jail. The day.

## RODMAN GETS TRANSFER TO JEFFERSON CITY OFFICE

Fred Rodman, connected with the Division 10 Highway office as draftsman and designer for the past several years, was transferred Friday to the Jefferson City headquarters of office, where he will be stationed in the future in the department of Building Construction.

Mr. Rodman, in accepting this transfer, again enters his original department of work, that of architect-

ture. Rodman assisted in designing division headquarters buildings here, in Kirkwood, Kansas City and Springfield, and maintenance buildings at Winona, Jackson and Sikeston. Fred was placed in charge of supervising construction during the building of the local buildings last summer and fall, and supervised the erection of the maintenance buildings at Winona and Jackson.

## Charleston Gagers Defeat Bulldogs 24-12; Sikeston Girls Win

Sikeston and Charleston divided the doubleheader basketball event here Friday night with the local girls closing their game 37 to 16, while the visiting Jays doubled the score on the Bulldogs, 24 to 12.

The local boys found themselves without the use of Jere Caverne, center and pivot man on the team, who during the week suffered an eye injury, which benches him for the rest of the season. Sikeston plays lagged and the boys seemed more or less

discouraged. Charleston on the other hand, dropped markers through the loop from every possible angle on the court and had little difficulty in holding the lead.

The local girls played stellar brand of basketball worked for an early game lead and easily maintained their out-front position during the contest.

Mrs. W. M. Moore of Canalou was in Sikeston last Thursday.

## CHILD PERISHES WHEN HOME BURNS

### Best Student Play Writers



Winners of second annual contest of Southeast Missouri High School Folk Drama Tournament: Left to right, upper—Frances Allen, Doniphian, first, and Bertha Groomes, Senath, second. Lower—Ruth Powell, Sikeston, fourth, and Aileen Ditzer, Poplar Bluff, third. Seven casts are entered in the Southeast high school tournament to be held at State Teachers' College in Cape Girardeau, Saturday night, February 20.—Courtesy St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Mrs. G. L. Farris, Misses Lucille and Tylene Kendall, Mrs. Walter Kendall and Louis Fluelling drove to St. Louis Monday for a few days' stay.

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### ANDERSON IN RACE FOR SHERIFF

Wade G. Anderson of Commerce visited friends in Sikeston Monday afternoon, and definitely announced his candidacy for the office of sheriff of Scott County on the Democratic ticket to succeed Tom Scott, incumbent.

Anderson's decision had been expected in political circles for some time. He was born and reared in Scott County, has farmed extensively, and in more recent years has formed a wide acquaintanceship over the entire county. His friends vouch for his honesty and ability. He is outspoken, and if named in the primary and elected, promises to exert his powers in the office of sheriff for a clean administration.

Mr. Anderson is a cousin of Ralph Anderson of this city, and is a frequent visitor here.

### E. E. ARTHUR IN RACE FOR ALDERMAN, WARD 1

E. E. Arthur, Cities Services Oil Company representative here, and former police chief of the city, today announces his candidacy for the office of Alderman in Ward One, opposing Lynn Waggener, incumbent, who is a candidate to succeed himself. While there is no criticism of Mr. Waggener's conduct in office, nor of the present Councilman himself, his opponent Mr. Arthur is experienced in the matter of getting out votes, has a good reputation for honesty, commands the respect of his friends and will probably conduct a lively campaign.

### SHOTS RING OUT IN FREE-FOR-ALL FIGHT NO ARRESTS BY POLICE

Although neighbors report hearing eleven revolver shots, much noise, and considerable fighting in a free-for-all fight in the neighborhood of Edward's Red and White Store late Saturday night, no record of the incident appeared in police court Monday morning.

### Brother 5 Years Old Rescues 10 Months Old Baby—Jines Home in West End Scene of Tragedy Last Friday

Funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon, 2 o'clock at the Luther Jines residence for Robert Lee Jines, 28-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Arley Jines, who died when fire destroyed the modest 2-room dwelling on Kendall Street, near

West, just back of the Planters' Gin, Friday at noon.

Mrs. Jines had gone to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Jines to call her husband to noon luncheon. The house caught on fire, presumably from defective wiring, and James, 5 years old, succeeded in carrying his ten-month-old brother to safety. After handing the child to a neighbor, Mrs. Jess Mitchell, James re-entered the house after Robert Lee.

The little tot cried "I don't want to go out—I don't want to go out" and crawled under a single bed, when James pleaded with him to leave the burning home. Mrs. Mitchell finally entered the house and brought James outside as the building collapsed.

A fire call was registered by central as "307 North Ranney", which street is diagonally across town from Kendall Street. After looking unsuccessfully for the blaze, fireboys turned about and were convinced that the call was a false alarm when a second call stated the location correctly.

Firemen were told, however, that every effort was made to reach the children before even the first call was turned in. When they finally reached the scene the building was a mass of flames, but a constant stream of water was played around the bed in an effort to save the child's life.

All of the personal effects of Mr. and Mrs. Jines was lost. Jines is unemployed at present.

### JOE GRIFFITH MARRIED AT JONESBORO FRIDAY NITE

Joe W. Griffith, son of Mrs. Mary Griffith of this city, was married last Friday night to Mrs. Madeline Mallory, at Jonesboro, Ark., according to a brief message received by members of the family here. Mr. Griffith is connected with the Adams Road Machinery Company, and met his wife who formerly worked for the Missouri State Highway Department. Mr. and Mrs. Griffith will make their home in Monett, Mo.

### SUDDEN DEATH SCARE TURNS OUT TO BE FALSE

A report was current on the streets here Sunday afternoon about 5:30 o'clock, that a man "just dropped dead" in front of the Hotel Marshall. As if by magic, a crowd of twenty-five or more men gathered, stared, wondered why someone didn't do something, suggested calling a doctor—and actually did nothing.

An elderly visitor from a nearby town had fallen near the hotel entrance with an epileptic convolution.

## Herbert Bandy Nicked by Robber Trio Friday in Attempted Oil Station Holdup

### DENTISTS CHOSE DEXTER FOR NEXT ANNUAL MEETING

From the Farmington, Mo., News, February 5.—The Southeast Missouri Dental Association held its annual meeting at the Long Memorial Building in Farmington in a two-days' session, beginning Wednesday morning at nine o'clock, continuing thru Wednesday, with an evening session, and adjourning yesterday afternoon to meet in Dexter for the session of 1933. There was an approximate attendance of 50. Prior to this meeting the Association has been holding its annual sessions in October. In the future, all meetings will be held in February.

At the meeting here, Dr. B. W. Willis, of Cape Girardeau, who had served as president through the past year, presided. Dr. L. M. Reaves acted as secretary, having been elected to this position at the previous session. The following were elected to serve as officers during the ensuing year: Dr. L. O. Weiscarver, of Malden, president; Dr. L. M. Reaves, vice-president, and Dr. V. H. Lincoln, of Bernie, secretary-treasurer.

Dr. W. A. Anthony and Dr. H. S. Smith of Sikeston attended the meeting.

Miss Daisy Garden, milliner, is leaving today for St. Louis, to attend a spring millinery carnival and select spring stock.

Herbert Bandy, night man at the Simpson Oil Company, Highway 60-61 station, received a slight flesh wound in his left shoulder shortly after midnight Friday when he grappled with one of three young men attempting to hold up the place.

Bandy figured in a similar holdup about two months ago, when three negro men of St. Louis were charged with participation in the affair.

Three men entered the station Friday a few minutes after midnight. Two of the trio entered the rest room while the third member loafed in the station. Bandy was attempting to tune in a small table model radio, and turned around to find himself face to face with the business end of a revolver. Instead of throwing up

his hands, the station operator grabbed the gun and tried to twist it out of the would-be robbers hand. It was discharged at close range, the lead pellet striking him in the left shoulder and coming out again near the collar bone. Powder burns showed rather plainly on Bandy's sweater.

The fact that Bandy resisted the holdup attempt frightened the trio of young white boys who made their getaway east on Highway 60. They were driving a Ford Model A coupe with Illinois license, and seemed to be about 18 to 21 years old.

Bandy fired a shot at the departing car and then sought medical attention from Dr. H. M. Kendig, who expressed the opinion Saturday that the wound would not prove dangerous.

## Phillips 66 Station Robbed Sunday Night by Trio Who Get \$150.00

Three white men, who drove up to the night, and had deposited his cash receipts in the safe. "Open it or we'll batter in your d—head", he was ordered.

The two men then jumped into the waiting car and drove north on Highway 61 towards Benton.

Shortly after the Phillips station was established, two men entered one day, covered the attendants and a district representative, who was checking up, with guns and made away with about \$80. The loss is covered by insurance.

### Alleged 'Legger Pays For Getting Lad Drunk When "Big Brother" Settles the Score By Knife

### CHARGES DROPPED AGAINST KELSO FARMER SATURDAY

Charges of operating a tractor equipped with lugs on a State highway, and crossing drains with the piece for farm equipment eight times, filed January 25 against Andy Heisserer of Kelso, were dropped Saturday morning.

Heisserer was scheduled to appear before Barney Huring, justice of the peace, in Ancell, Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The matter was dropped, however, that morning.

"Healthful Diets for Reduced Incomes". (Heading). Putting a reduced income on a diet is the last word in economy.

## SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY  
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURIEntered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,  
Scott County, Missouri, as second-class  
mail matter, according to act  
of Congress.

Rates:  
Reading notices, per line.....10c  
Bank statements .....\$10.00  
Yearly subscription in Scott and the  
adjoining counties .....\$2.00  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the  
United States .....\$2.50

The Superintendent of the Poplar Bluff water plant reports his waterworks are functioning 100 per cent. So is ours.

One of our late lamented citizens, in speaking of a long-jawed business man, said he was a "damned sanctimonious thief", and perhaps he wasn't wrong at that.

I love my dear pussy,  
Her coat is so warm,  
And if I don't hurt her  
She'll do me no harm.

—Verse from McGuffey's reader used in school 60 years ago.

Friday's Post-Dispatch carried the pictures of the four Southeast Missouri girls who won first four places in Southeast Missouri High School Folk Drama Tournament. While our Miss Ruth Ward Powell did not win first place in the Drama Contest, she was easily the winner of first place in good looks.

The County Court of Monroe County has changed its road districts from the original 55 to 10, which will be a big saving. Scott County should fall in line and reduce her number of districts. With the Federal, State, and Farm-to-Market roads, there is no reason why any county in the State should carry so many road overseers.

There is no doubt in the world but what Mr. Hoover means to help the country when he urges the hoarding of money to cease. Until there is some way to guarantee the small depositor that his savings are safe in a bank, it will be an uphill job to get him to use a bank instead of a sock in which to keep his money. There is not every bank in the land as safe as the Bank of Sikeston or the Sikeston Trust Co., so why use talk without a guarantee.

X. Schneider, who was buried in Sikeston Friday afternoon, was a poor man who died rich. Not in this world's goods, but in the good name that he left behind. The years that we knew him we never heard of him complaining about anything, always had a smile and pleasant word. That is why he died rich. Many rich men of today never have a kind word or smile for anyone, but on the other hand are pessimistic and can see no sunshine on the brightest day. We would not trade X. Schneider's chances of the hereafter for millions of wealth that would have to be left behind. A brother Mason of the humble sort who left behind pleasant memories of a true man.

The following is an editorial from a Wisconsin exchange which is worth thinking over: "A proper tax would be a tax on idleness and shiftlessness—a tax on the waster instead of the worker. Such a tax of course is impractical, but it is more just. As it is we tax the worker. If he saves his money and builds a home, we tax him more. If he improves his home and puts in a furnace, we raise his taxes. If he adds a new porch he is landed again. Across the street from him may live a man who, with equal opportunity, does nothing. He dreams some day he will lead an army upon Washington to demand legislation for his type. In the meantime the worker goes on working, paying his own way and the other fellows."

If you commit a murder and don't wish to be hanged, hire scientific experts. Mrs. Ruth Judd is accused of killing two women. She confessed at first. Now scientists, alienists, specialists, say she is really not a murderer, only a woman afflicted with "mother mania". To prove it, they say that she imagines herself the mother of children that she never had and keeps a picture of one little boy, thinking it her son. How the scientists connect "mother mania" with the chopping up of two women is not made clear. The cold-blooded prosecution says it is a combination of jealousy and gin, an explanation that sounds more probable.—Arthur Brisbane.

The Sikeston Standard takes The Jimplicite too seriously in regard to Sikeston furnishing candidates for county offices. Some of the best county officers Scott County ever had came from Sikeston. The present treasurer, Mr. Felker, is from Sikeston, and if we have had a more efficient and painstaking county officer, we have never heard of it. Judge Dudley, who for years was probate judge, filled the office with credit to himself and the county there may be others whose names we have forgotten. Sikeston has furnished the most efficient and successful county chairman the Democratic party in Scott County ever had or ever will have, we refer to Mr. Harry Blanton; he was always on the job, working for the success of the party, only, and when the campaign was over and the votes counted, the Democrats of Scott County had recorded a victory in all offices voted for and in addition all bills made by the committee were paid. Mr. M. G. Gresham of Sikeston was another successful chairman of the county Democratic committee, who left no newspaper or other bills unpaid when he went out of office. The Jimplicite is sorry, the article has been misconstrued.—Illmo Jimplicite.

By the way, do you listen in on grain quotations from the big markets? There is Winnipeg, 400 miles north of St. Paul, in a very distant part of Canada, where there is no tariff on grain. And there is Chicago, a thousand miles nearer to Europe, in a country that has a tariff of 30c a bushel on wheat. The wheat price at Winnipeg, however, is higher than in Chicago.—Paris Appeal.

Soon after returning to Washington, Col. Mansur took us through the

## Washington Sidelights—1887

(By Charles L. Blanton, Sr.)

For years friends have asked us to write a more or less connected story or our early experiences in the Nation's Capitol. Since an outline of the series-to-be has not been prepared, the paragraphs and personal reminiscences will probably be disconnected. At best, they will deal with sidelights, views back stage so to speak, as they are recalled after a lapse of years. From time to time characters who figure prominently in history textbooks will be permitted to appear, perhaps "in character" and perhaps not. Occasionally we may have occasion to quote some old friend; to describe some particular phase of government; to outline the inside workings of a department, reserving always the right to express these thoughts as they originally impressed us.

## ARTICLE I.

## A COUNTRY BOY

Early in June, 1887, Hon. Chas. H. Mansur, of Chillicothe, Mo., member of Congress from the 2d Missouri District, secured an appointment in the Government Printing office at Washington for the writer, and soon thereafter there appeared in that city, a pretty green country boy. It is true we had been in Kansas City, St. Louis, and several lesser cities, but never so far away from home that we could not return within a few hours.

In those days, a Pullman berth was out of the question for a man from the country, so two nights and a day were consumed in making the trip. Except for homesickness, we got along very well, but at the end of three months had saved enough money to buy a round trip to Paris, for a visit with homefolks.

Soon after returning to Washington, Col. Mansur took us through the

capitol room with a large fireplace, in which Washington spent the night when in the city. Anyway, about the second week of our being at the Hillman House, a reception of some sort was had to which all boarders were invited. We started into the parlors when on a sofa or divan, we saw a negro man and a white woman seated together and enjoying a social visit. We were not accustomed to this, so retired from the reception. The colored man was Fred Douglas and the woman was Belva Lockwood.

At this time Fred Douglas was the leading man of his race in the United States, was registrar of wills for the District of Columbia, and was highly respected by white people. In color he was almost white, with grey eyes and wore his thick shock of cotton-white hair down to his shoulders. His first wife was of his own race, much darker than he, and was the leader of colored society of Washington. In his employee, as registrar of wills, were many white women. His first wife died and Douglas married one of his white clerks, who hailed from New England. After his second marriage, the colored folks would have nothing to do with the pair, neither would the white folks.

Late in the Fall of 1887, there came to Washington from Monroe County, Mo., Jacob Llewellyn, a farmer who had a claim against the government for supplies lost in 1856 when he was furnishing supplies for U. S. soldiers in that State. Congressman Mansur turned him over to me and directed us to first go to the Treasury Department and meet General Rosecrans who was Registrar of

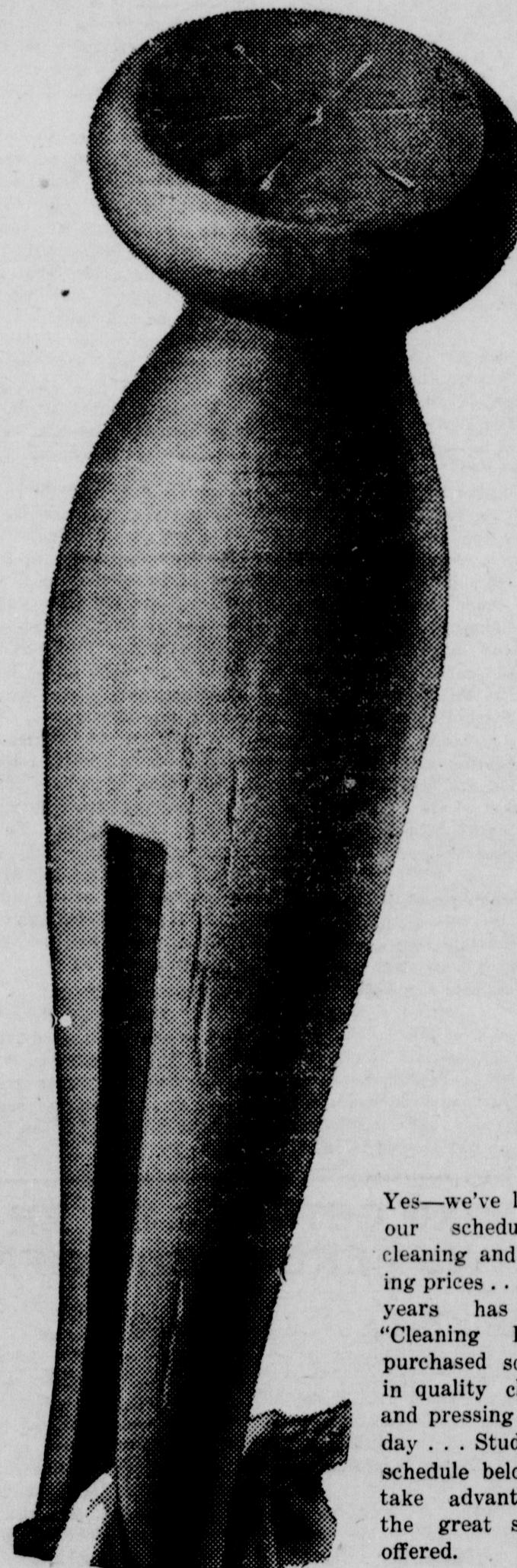
the Treasury at that time, who could tell us if the claim had ever been paid. The warrant was found to be endorsed by A. A. Hosmer, a claim agent, who was then living in a marble mansion in Washington. We called on Mr. Hosmer, who believed I was an attorney, stated I knew it was necessary for an attorney to have power of attorney from the principal before the warrant could be cashed. The warrant was for several thousand dollars and Hosmer had kept the entire amount. So there was nothing for Mr. Llewellyn to do but return to his home in Missouri. Years after we visited in Mr. Llewellyn's home near Florida, Mo., where we were a welcome guest.

The sale of so many farms at courthouse doors these days is further evidence that what the farmer needs is less credit and better markets. These farms are being sold because of the inability of their owners to pay interest on money they had borrowed. Ninety per cent of them would have been better off without such loans. Practically all of them

made unwise use of the money, generally undertaking to operate on a larger scale and at much heavier expense than in previous years. Then, when good times vanished and the going became hard, the job of making ends meet was more than could be managed. If Congress would provide better prices for farm products the farmer would take better care of himself in the future than from any opportunity that may be given him to borrow more on his lands, crops and stock. We either should quit giving subsidies to other industries, which we do in the way of tariff protection from outside competition, or else we should replace the policy of providing credits for farmers with subsidies on his products. The history of land loans is that, once a mortgage is given, the shadow of foreclosure and ruin seldom ever is removed.—Paris Appeal.

It sometimes looks as if a woman had picked an exceptionally ugly husband just to make her look beautiful by comparison.

## OUR NEW LOW PRICE LINE-UP

New Stores  
Join Profit  
Sharing Plan

Bankers and Merchants

## CHRISTMAS SAVINGS STAMPS

Collectors books have been handed to you by canvassers. Use these valuable books, good for \$1.00 as fast as filled, easily filled.

THEY ARE YOUR INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PLAN  
INSTALLED BY THE FOLLOWING STORES

If you will do your cash buying with them (or pay your account in full within ten days after the close of the month)

Remember this is a dividend you can share and collect in cash as you complete \$50 in trading, not with any one store, but with all of them. Remember, these stamps are given on everything you buy—groceries, dry goods, clothes, gas, oil, drugs, household needs, hardware, machinery, EVERYTHING. Remember, they are given every day in the year, to everyone, not one lucky one. And, on every purchase from ten cents to hundreds of dollars.

"CHRISTMAS STAMPS" because they are gifts to you.  
"SAVINGS STAMPS" because they enable you to save.

## SIKESTON STORES

**SUTTON BROTHERS**  
Groceries and Hardware  
206 North New Madrid Street  
Free Delivery

**DERRIS DRUG STORE**  
111 Front Street

**SCHORLE BROS. BAKING CO.**  
Phones 62 and 246

**SIKESTON TRUST CO.**  
Bank Redemption Agent

And they will pay you these dividends on your cash buying day by day, month by month

START NOW  
TRADE WHERE YOUR MONEY  
COUNTS MOST

Forget Your Christmas Savings Stamps  
is like leaving Your Change



Yes—we've lowered our schedule of cleaning and pressing prices...not in years has your "Cleaning Dollar" purchased so much in quality cleaning and pressing as today...Study the schedule below and take advantage of the great savings offered.

MEN'S SUITS [one pant]	..	\$1.00
MEN'S SUITS [two pant]	..	1.40
MEN'S OVERCOATS	..	1.50
MEN'S TOPCOATS	..	1.00

**Faultless Cleaners and Dyers**  
Telephone 127  
Del Rev Building Sikeston, Missouri  
We Give and Redeem Eagle Stamps

## SIKESTON CITY PLANT HAS \$6069 NET PROFIT

Audit of First Six Months of Operation;  
Competes With Private Utility

From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch of February 5, 1932

Sikeston, Mo., February 4.—The first electric power plant was sent over the wires of the municipal light and power plant here May 19, 1931, to turn the wheels of Sikeston's industries and to light its homes and business houses.

Last December 1, six months later, an audit revealed, the plant had earned a gross profit of \$13,569.90 and a net profit of \$6069.97.

Starting with few customers, the city plant gradually secured more business and now supplies current to 1050 customers out of approximately 1250. The remaining 200 are being served by a private utility. The credit side of the ledger did not begin to show a definite favorable trend until the plant had been in operation for 60 days.

**Averages \$2000 a Month Net**

Under present operating conditions, however, with about 84 per cent of the entire load on its lines, the plant is averaging around \$2000 per month net profit. Dan G. Pepper, superintendent, cites the November and December revenues as proof for that statement. In November the total gross revenue amounted to \$5757.62 and expenses were \$1777.21, a gross profit of \$3980.41. December, with its increased demands for light and power due to holiday merchandising and residential Christmas lighting, was the banner month with total gross revenue of \$6-115.05.

After charging off insurance, office, distribution and plant expenses the month showed a profit of \$4157.57, from which deductions of interest, depreciation and reserve against bond retirement must be made.

Interruptions of service during the first six months total less than 10 minutes. Minor mechanical trouble at the plant accounted for four minutes of interrupted service, while the human element accounted for the remaining six.

The balance sheet for the period ending December 1 shows the following items:

Revenue	
Metered sales to residences .....	\$11,038.34
Metered sales for commercial purposes .....	9,911.46
Metered sales for power .....	3,850.37
Street lights and for municipal purposes .....	2,114.51
Total revenue .....	\$26,914.68
Interest on daily bank balance, discounts collected and merchandise sales .....	442.66
Grand total first six months .....	\$27,317.34

Expenses	
Production costs in power plant .....	\$ 7,191.21
Maintenance: Station, fuel holders, engines and miscellaneous items .....	259.04
Distribution expense: Operation of distribution system, salaries of linemen, etc. ....	1,616.99
Maintenance of poles, meters, conductors, service .....	385.02
Commercial expense, collecting .....	5.00
New business expense, advertising, etc. ....	498.57
General office expense: Bookkeeper, stenographer, office supplies, insurance and merchandise, legal services .....	3,790.61
Total expense, not including depreciation and interest on bonds .....	\$13,746.44
Total revenue .....	\$27,317.34
Total expense .....	\$13,747.44
Gross profit .....	\$13,569.90
Less Liberal depreciation .....	\$ 3,365.52
Less interest on bonds .....	4,135.31
Total .....	\$ 7,500.83
Net profit first 6 months .....	\$ 6,069.97

If the net profit of the month of November might be taken as an average normal month, and after charging off every conceivable item of expense including depreciation and reserve for retirement of bonds and interest the plant will earn the city approximately \$26,950 a year.

**Interest Lagged; Plan Dropped**

Municipal ownership of electric utilities in this city did not come about by chance. Ten years ago W. A. Fuller & Co., St. Louis consulting engineers, were employed to prepare preliminary plans and estimates for such a plant to be operated in connection with the municipally-owned waterworks system. Interest in the proposition lagged and the plan finally was dropped.

In 1929 The Sikeston Standard, a semi-weekly publication, began gathering data from nearby municipal light and power plants, and from time to time called attention to successful plants in operation in Missouri and in other States as well.

Not until Spring, 1930, did the proposal come to a vote.

The election was held April 1, 1930, and the proposal, a \$150,000 bond issue proposition, carried by a small majority. After a legal fight the Missouri Supreme Court in the fall of that year handed down an interpretation favorable to the proposal.

**Contract Let November 25**

The City Council, previously elected on a "light plant," let the contract for the plant November 25, 1930, for a total of \$123,600 to Fairbanks, Morse & Co. The bid included two 600-horsepower Diesel motors and auxiliary equipment, a building, storage tanks, cooling tower, white way, switch board and complete distribution, and on May 19, 1931, the first current was manufactured and sold to Sikeston consumers from their own plant.

Control of the plant is vested in a Board of Public Works appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council. The board selects the personnel of the plant and office, which includes only eight: Dan G. Pepper, superintendent; Ed Minter, chief engineer; August Little and Charles W. Paurl, assistant plant engineers; Harry Hambrick and Guy Beck linemen and trouble shooters. Bookkeeper, Miss Ruth McCoy, and stenographer, Miss Tylene Kendall. All billing is done by automatic bookkeeping machines, and only the best up-to-the-minute systems prevail in plant and office.

**To Space Buyers Only—**

# You May Not Believe in MUNICIPAL Ownership

—we do, but that doesn't matter!

## You Are Interested in Selling Power

—as a matter of fact, so are we!

**The Twice-a-Week Sikeston Standard last year SOLD  
\$150,000.00 worth of Municipal Light Plant to 6000  
Sikestonians (two thousand and some voters).**

Since—during a "depression," the Standard SOLD \$150,000.00 in a lump sum to Sikeston citizens;

Since—**SINGLE-HANDED** it was powerful enough to whip a power trust—with unlimited resources and having the backing of Sikeston's **SECOND** newspaper;

Since—it can PROVE to you that over 70 pct. of ALL FORMS of advertising in Sikeston is carried in its columns, week after week, and month after month, and;

Since—it SUCCESSFULLY taps a trade area of 12 to 25 miles with a population of 70,937 for local merchants—

## Why Wouldn't It Be a Good Idea to Tie Up With a 1932 National Space Contract?

Below we give you the comparative figures of advertising lineage of the Twice-a-Week Sikeston Standard and Sikeston's **Second** Newspaper for the 7 months of June to and including December 1931. **This does not include the month of January—when the ratio is EVEN GREATER.**

**TWICE-A-WEEK SIKESTON STANDARD**

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Local	6580	3735	3161	4194	5165	3688	5,697	32,220
Out-of-town	2528	792	728	929	762	1181	1,227	8,147
National	761	623	497	761	768	958	867	5,235
Total	9869	5150	4386	5884	6695	5827	7,791	45,602

**SIKESTON'S SECOND NEWSPAPER**

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Local	2145	2306	1414	1297	1715	1797	2,290	12,964
Out-of-town	692	483	511	401	250	483	468	3,288
National	680	431	488	793	742	568	547	4,249
Total	3517	3220	2413	2491	2707	2848	3,305	20,501

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Another international cloud appears upon the horizon. The President has dropped thirty pounds or so, and feels fine. Mussolini tells Italy to feed up, and that reducing is bad business.

A speaker at a surgeon's convention, and Paderewski, the pianist, and former prime minister of Poland, warn us simultaneously that we are living too fast. They should have gone further and anticipated Boss Tweed's famous question: "What are you going to do about it?"

The Smith family has added another jewel to its crown. A man of that name has broken a world record by driving an auto 164 miles an hour in Australia. A Florida speed boat pilot has set a new mark by forcing his craft through the water at a clip of 111 miles an hour. It is pleasing to note that hard times have not slowed up everything.

At Norristown, Pa., Edward Allen, who killed his sister's lover, Francis Donaldson, was acquitted of the crime. This was a case of the unwritten law. If more cases of seduction would end in the seducer's death, there would be fewer cases of babes being born without father to care for them. At the same time, something ought to be done with the girls who run loose.

Alfred E. Smith will permit his name to be used in States as a presidential candidate, but will make no fight himself for the nomination. He will support any candidate nominated at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago in June. If Smith should be the nominee, we will support him as loyally as we did the last time. No more honest or sincere man lives than Al Smith, at the same time, perhaps, it would not be best to nominate him this time.

On the 27th of January, Wilhelm of Germany was 73, and permitted his mind to roam over the many things which have happened of late to him and to the Fatherland. On the same date, Alphonoso of Spain had a fall amid the snows of Switzerland, and joked about another misstep, in Madrid, that sent him into exile. The twenty-seventh was an unpleasant day for ex-kings and their departed glory.

If the City Council expects to increase the salary of the Police Chief, the City Attorney, or any other officer of the City, now is the time to pass an ordinance to that effect. Then candidates for different positions will know just what they may expect. If the Police Chief receive a stated salary and fees it is perfectly all right here, but no bonus should be paid. And if there be changes made, it should be done by ordinance. And to our way of thinking the Police Judge should be put on a regular salary with fees included. A Police Judge in a city of this class is provided by law, else we would favor abolishing the office, but under the law, it is compulsory, so we are in favor of a salary in keeping with the dignity of the city and the office. This is not inspired by anyone but is the way it looks to us.

In order that vegetable gardens and flower gardens may be at their best when it comes time to plant, now is the time to spread manure and have it spaded under. Then just before time put out seeds, roots or plants, give it the second spading. The edi-

tor's dahlia patch is now being given attention and we expect to put out 250 hills of dahlias, 200 gladiolas and 100 tuber roses. With 50 rose bushes blooming along with other flowers, our back yard should be very pretty if not profitable. The Sikeston Seed Store and the Sikeston Greenhouse will carry a large supply of bulbs that will be sold very reasonable and will add greatly to the pleasure of a a

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We doubt if a candidate on any National ticket this time will run on a prohibition ticket, if he does, he is sunk. It has been proven in the twelve years' experience that national prohibition cannot, nor will not, be enforced. Last year thirty-four million dollars were spent in trying to enforce this law, without any perceptible letup in the flow of liquor. The law will never be repealed, but some day will be modified in a way that it might be enforced. The preacher who would not favor temperance would be unfit for his calling and they should be among the first to try to create laws that would be enforceable. Anyway, here's hoping the man who succeeds Hoover will bring back better times that we may all live in peace and harmony.

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The holding up and robbing of oil stations around Sikeston is getting entirely too common. Some sort of contraption should be placed in these stations that the manager could step on and give a neighborhood alarm, then let other stations answer with high power guns.

Chilly days and rain last week produced much inside candidate talk. Give us a few days of sunshine and watch the hatch.

According to a political writer there are still several countries which have not yet adopted income tax. Any of them can adopt ours with pleasure.—Punch (London).

If it is really true that the elephant never forgets, its recollection of the full-dinner-pail promise is going to worry it a whole lot in this year's campaign.—Louisville Times.

H. G. Brooks, a member of the State Highway Patrol, who was in this city Thursday, asks that we pass on a warning that should be heeded by all school children, and others as well, who have occasion to walk along the highways. Pedestrians should always walk on the left-hand side of the highway, off the slab, so that they will be facing the traffic that is on the same side of the highway they are. Children, especially, should be careful in crossing roads, and teachers and parents would do well to remind their children of the dangers that exist in playing along the highway, and in attempting to cross without looking in both directions and being sure the way is clear.—Kennett Democrat.

Consolidated Schools throughout the State have been a heavy drain on taxpayers, and the village high schools haven't been far behind. Then comes the school busses that go over the district to gather up children. A lot can be done to help the taxpayers if a lot of this could be cut out. This is not going to prove a popular paragraph, but this is what one damn fool thinks about it.

Jack Harty can copy this if he feels like it for the next issue of S. E. Mo. Telephone News.

'Lo girls in the Chinatown ex-

**"They Say" — Sez The Man About Town.**

By Art L. Wallhausen

Samson slew millions of Philistines with the jawbone of an ass, so we are told. The modern brand of "jawbone" is just as effective.

If we are incorrect about our Biblical character, please advise.

Owen D. Young is credited with this bit of advice to the 1931 graduating class of St. Lawrence University summer school:

"Any obligation which you make—perform it. If it be for money—pay it. If you cannot pay—renew it, but never neglect it and never default on it. Your credit, not for money alone, but for good faith, depends upon it."

Young folks are forever asking about the advisability of entering this profession and that. It is a good sign. This week a member of the local High School body asked "Should I take up newspapering?"

That's a big order. That might mean any one of a hundred highly specialized branches of the printing trade, or it might have reference to so-called "front office" work, in which, theoretically one needs to know very little if anything about the mechanical trades connected with the business.

This person, we found out, meant ordinary reporting. We also found out that this person had no desire to study, and especially disliked history. "What's the use in learning about those old people that have been dead a thousand years?"

While we readily admit that "newspapering", in the sense employed by this lad, and hard work, have nothing in common, we were heartless enough to suggest, however, that "newspapering" is nothing more nor less than writing, interpreting, and editing current, day-by-day history.

And no historian, to our knowledge, has been able to write intelligently about the present without knowing something of the background whether it be social, economic, political, criminal, religious, or whatnot history.

Sam Hellman in a recent Saturday Evening Post story springs this: "Most of the feds around here have not enough under their berets to equip a backward boll weevil".

And again, "after eight years he might be graduated as a low grade moron".

Sunday school teachers remind us of one in particular who conducts a class for young girls. Those girls are learning more applied religion than ever came out of a Sikeston pulpit, and a wealth of workaday facts about conduct, morals, and social ethics thrown in for good measure.

A few such honest, well-informed teachers in any community must have its effect for permanent betterment. In most cases girls as well as boys learn "what it's all about" via the bootleg route.

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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM CANALOU**

(By Ethel Wright)

C. W. Harris, who has been ill for the past several days, was taken to a hospital at St. Louis, Friday night.

George Allison, who had been in a hospital at St. Louis for the past several weeks, returned home Wednesday. He suffered a paralytic stroke several weeks ago. He is very much improved, but is to return for treatment again with two months.

School will be dismissed here Thursday and Friday as the teachers will attend the County Teachers' Meeting at Lilbourn.

In addition to winning a basketball game here Friday night, the local girls won a volleyball game from Portageville. The local girls have played seven volleyball games to date this season and have won six. They will play Kewanee, at Kewanee, Friday night.

Mrs. Leraun Baughn spent the week-end at her home in Braggadocio.

Mrs. Geraldine Young spent the week-end in St. Louis.

Miss Gertrude Crumpecker, who is employed at Cape Girardeau, spent the week-end at her home here.

Several from here attended the basketball games at Diehlstadt Saturday.

The Canalou school teams divided honors with the Portageville teams here Friday night. The Portageville boys were too much for the local boys. The game was really better than the score shows. The Canalou boys started out with lots of pep and soon had a good lead, but failed to hold this lead very long. The final score was Portageville, 42 to Canalou 31.

The girls' game was a different story. The local girls took the lead from the start and held it throughout the game. The final score 25-18, in favor of Canalou. Latham for Canalou made 21 of the tallies while Farlong for Portageville accounted for 12 of the 18 points for her team.

Moore and Newman each made eleven points for the Canalou five. Gabriel was high point man for Portageville with 16 points. Two good games are expected to be played here tonight (Tuesday) when Matthews will call here for a couple of games. Matthews has a good girls' team this season and is expected to give the girls here a real tussle.

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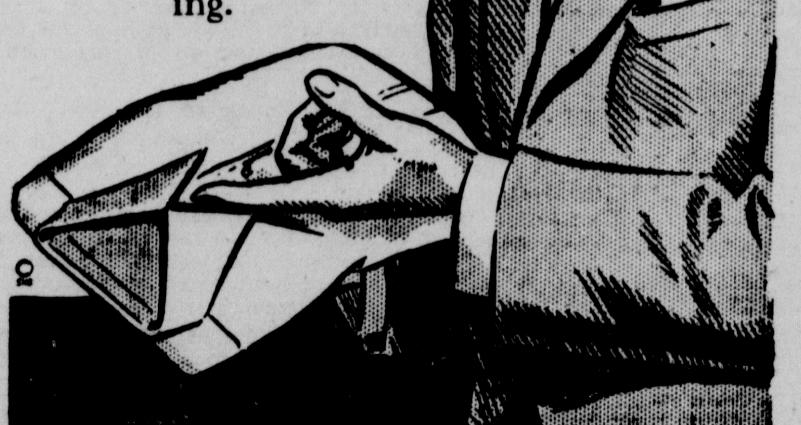
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# News of the Town

(By Mrs. C. M. Harris, Phone 581)

Mrs. L. O. Rodes is on the sick list. Mrs. Will Carroll of Vanduser spent last week with Mrs. Ben Carroll.

Barney Wagner went to St. Louis, Monday, where he will transact business.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. White visited with friends in Morley, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Jennie Mitchell is visiting her son, C. L. Mitchell and family, at Malden.

Mr. and Mrs. O. W. McCutchen of Blytheville, Ark., were Sikeston visitors, Sunday.

H. J. Welsch returned from St. Louis Sunday morning, where he had been on business.

Miss Mary Meatte of Portageville was the guest of Mrs. J. W. Foley, last Wednesday.

John Durbin left Sunday for Cape Girardeau, where he entered the St. Francis Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Wagner and children motored to Cairo and Mound City, Ill., Sunday.

Mrs. C. E. Brenton of Webster Groves is expected to visit friends in Sikeston this week.

S. E. Reed, Jr., re-entered school Monday morning, after a week's absence, due to sickness.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Reed, last Friday, a daughter, who has been named Mary Jo.

J. R. Thurston and Arnold Miller of Vanduser were Sikeston visitors, Sunday evening.

Mary Jane and Betty Wayne, children of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cummins, are on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker of East Prairie visited with Mrs. M. E. Prouty, Sunday afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Reuber returned Sunday night from a few days' trip to Kansas City and St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cummins visited with Dr. and Mrs. Sylvester Doggett in Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Pilaut of Cape Girardeau spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Pilaut's brother, P. H. Stevens in Hayti and Steele, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Bowman drove to Cape Girardeau Saturday afternoon and visited Mrs. Ed Fante, who is ill.

Mrs. Harry Dudley and Misses Wilma Ragain and Dorothea Miller were in Cape Girardeau Sunday afternoon.

J. W. Clymer, who has been in Houston, Texas, has returned to Sikeston to spend the winter with his family.

The Gleaners' Class of the Methodist Church will enjoy a Valentine party at the church Wednesday evening at 7:30.

Virgil Harnes, Miss Helen Day and Miss Mildred Meyer were in Chaffee, Cape Girardeau and Jackson, Sunday afternoon.

Carl Puckett and children, Doris and Peter and brother, Hall Puckett of LaForge attended the show in Sikeston, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Bowles were in LaForge Sunday afternoon to see the "face in the sancer".

Mrs. Claud T. Old was called to Troy, Mo., Monday morning on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. J. R. Ball.

Charles Mason, of West Malone Avenue, who has been confined to his home for months due to a paralytic stroke, is reported to be real sick.

Miss Margaret Clymer, who teaches at Kewanee, spent last week-end in Sikeston with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Clymer.

Mrs. Emma Kendall was delightfully surprised by eighteen of her neighborhood friends Friday afternoon, the occasion being her birthday.

Mrs. A. Moll and children and Miss Hyacinth Sheppard were guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Stepp, of near New Madrid, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Witt and son, Bernie, were week-end guests of the former's brother, Paul Witt, and family, north of Sikeston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Stone, Jr., and little daughter spent last week-end in Charleston with Mr. Stone's mother, Mrs. Mitchell and husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Hirschberg and children visited with Mrs. Hirschberg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Grojean, in Dexter, Sunday.

Mrs. Norman Gocke returned to her home in East St. Louis, Ill., Sunday, after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Keith.

Miss Dollie Middleton returned to her home in Dexter last Friday, after a visit with her sister, Mrs. Wade Shankle and other relatives.

Shad Old, little son of Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Old, is confined to his home with the chickenpox.

Please Malcolm, accompanied by Earl Ward, motored to Canalou, Friday night to attend the doubleheader basketball game between Portageville and Canalou. Mr. Malcolm refried the games.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Mathews complimented C. D. Matthews, Jr., with a surprise birthday dinner Friday. Other guests were Mr. Matthews' immediate family.

Mrs. E. C. Matthews visited at the bedside of Mrs. W. F. Bergmann, in Cape Girardeau, Sunday. Mrs. Bergmann's condition remains critical.

Harry Dover will take his Sunday school class on a weiner roast Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Allen will entertain the Friday Bridge Club this week.

Mrs. G. E. Daniels, of East Lake Street, is in receipt of a letter from her daughter, Miss Kathleen Sells, who recently went to Muskogee, Oklahoma. Miss Sells arrived safely and is connected with the Baptist Hospital of that city. She supervises the operation room and administers the anesthetics. Miss Lora McDonald, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roly McDonald, is superintendent of the hospital.

Mrs. D. A. Reese and Mrs. Judson Boardman accompanied Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Chambliss to their home in Cairo last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Lindsay of Cape Girardeau visited Mrs. Lindsay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Taylor, last Friday.

Mrs. Maggie Totty visited friends and relatives in New Madrid and Marston, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Reese will go to Cairo today (Tuesday) for a few days' visit with Mrs. Reese's brother, F. E. Chambliss and wife.

Frank Schlite spent last week-end in St. Louis.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker are now located at the J. M. Sitzes home. Mr. Baker is connected with the State Highway Department and has been here for some time. Mrs. Baker came to Sikeston Sunday from Fredericktown to join her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wedel spent last weekend in New Madrid with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Gehrig and Mrs. W. L. Meier and son, Edward, of New Madrid, visited with Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Sharp, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Martin were in Charleston Sunday afternoon to see Mr. Martin's mother, Mrs. Charles Bogert, who is sick.

Dr. B. L. McMullin returned last Thursday from Hot Springs, Ark.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Star Lodge will be held Thursday night at the I. O. O. F. Hall.

Murray Quinn Tanner, Jr., of Webster Groves, visited relatives here Friday. From Sikeston he went to Benton, for a visit with his cousin, Tom Haw.

Mrs. Harry Dover entertained at bridge Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Woolard Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Groves, now located at Poplar Bluff, spent Saturday night with Mrs. Groves' mother, Mrs. Jennie Stubblefield.

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Mrs. Kate Greer went to St. Louis the latter part of last week, where she transacted business. She is expected home today (Tuesday).

Mr. and Mrs. Ace Edwards and daughter were guests of Mrs. Edwards' aunt in Bloomfield, Sunday.

Miss Coretta Pharris, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. A. E. Shankle for the past two weeks, returned to Detroit, Mich., Friday, where she is employed as a nurse.

E. E. Ward and son, Earl, motored to Springfield Saturday afternoon and returned Sunday. They were accompanied home by Mr. and Mrs. Herschel W. Ward for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Harris and Mrs. Sophia Edmondson spent Sunday afternoon in Cape Girardeau with their cousins, Mrs. Alpha Burch and daughter, Miss Ora.

The Ladies' Aid of the McMullan Methodist Church will meet this Thursday afternoon with Mrs. W. B. Simpson. Mrs. M. A. Margraves will be the leader.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Pratt and children returned to their home in Pocahontas, Ark., Monday morning, after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hitchcock and family. Mrs. Pratt and Mrs. Hitchcock are sisters.

Earl Grojean and family, who have been living in the W. O. Scott property on Dorothy Street, have rented Dr. H. E. Reuber's property on North Ranney Avenue. They will move this week.

The Book Club met with Mrs. J. L. Brown Monday afternoon. Mrs. J. M. Pitman was leader and her subject was from the book, "The Great Meadow".

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Laws and children of East Prairie spent Sunday with Mrs. Laws' parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Fox. Mrs. Beulah Phelps and son, Jackie, accompanied them home and will spend this week with Mrs. Laws and family.

Mrs. A. B. Carpenter of Farmington, came last week to be with her sister, Mrs. Dal Harnes, and daughter, Dalma. Mrs. Harnes has been suffering with a severe sore throat, while Dalma has the scarlet fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bremmer, Mrs. Alvina Owens, Mrs. Rose Gordon and daughter, Dorothy, of Cape Girardeau, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Clay Mitchell and family.

Mr. and Mrs. John Inman of Cape Girardeau spent Sunday with Mr. Inman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Inman. Their daughter, Mrs. Roy Anderson, and family of Flat River, are also visiting with them.

Misses Virginia Whitehead, Faye Jenkins, Mary Oliver, Jane Mulkey, Kathryn Edwards and Dorothy Ragsdale of Charleston were guests of Mis. Jenalee Sells, Saturday afternoon.

Committees will meet this afternoon to make plans for the noon (Monday) at the home of Mrs. patriotic tea to be sponsored by the D. A. R. on Washington's birthday at the Marshall Hotel.

Mrs. Betty Matthews entertained the following at 12 o'clock dinner Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Jos. L. Matthews and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Moore and family, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Kline and family, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kline, Miss Camille Kline, Mrs. Jane Mills, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Corrigan, Jr., and Miss Suzanna Corrigan of Poplar Bluff and Miss Margaret Clymer.

The Westway Club met with Mrs. Lester Rister last Thursday afternoon. Ten members and two visitors were present. The next meeting of the Club will be with Mrs. Clarence Marshall.

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Laura Jo Lathom, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Lathom, is visiting this week in Dexter.

P. E. Kinney of Dexter spent Sunday with his daughter, Mrs. O. E. Lathom and family here.

J. Otto Hahn and daughter, Lucille, spent the week-end in Daisy, Mo., visiting his mother.

Members of the Christian church choir are requested to meet at the church Thursday night. The Ladies' Aid Society of the church will hold an important business meeting that afternoon and members are urged to be present.

The Conoco Service Station, west of the shoe factory on Highway 60, has been reopened under new management. Virgil Vaughn, the new agent, is an experienced filling station attendant and will appreciate your business.

Mrs. W. S. Riggs of Springfield, Mo., arrived in Sikeston Monday morning for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Hubert Brooks, at the C. L. Blanton, Sr., residence. She brought with her, Virginia Lee Brooks, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brooks, who has been with her grandparents for a visit.

Wayne Bess was a business visitor enson and family.

A meeting of the W. B. A. officers was held at the home of Miss Rebecca Pierce, Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Stevens were in Cape Girardeau, Sunday.

**MR. AND MRS. JAMES JOHNSON LOSE INFANT**

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson will regret to hear of the death of their infant. The baby was born Sunday morning and died Sunday afternoon suddenly.

#### BINGO PARTY

Mesdames R. M. Biennert, C. L. Blanton, Sr., H. C. Blanton and Ben Butler will be the hostess for the weekly bingo party Tuesday afternoon and cordially invite all the ladies. Games start at 2 o'clock.

#### WOMAN'S CLUB NOTES

The Woman's Club will meet with Mrs. Raymond Burns Tuesday afternoon. A Washington birthday program will be under the leadership of Mrs. J. N. Ross and Mrs. Keaton of Cairo will give several musical numbers. All members are urged to attend this meeting.

#### GIRLS IN CLASS OF '28 HOLD REUNION FRIDAY

Eleven girls, members of the 1928 graduating class of Sikeston High School, held a reunion last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Carl Mathis, nee Lee Etta Cravens. Those present included besides Mrs. Mathis, Edna Mount, Dessie Hydrick, Bernice Farris, Mildred Carter, Mrs. Lynn Ansell, nee Edith Carter, Dorothy Walker, Mildred Arbaugh, Lela Haragranes, Gladys Swinney and Mrs. Clarence Marshall, nee Ruby Hitt.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce N. E. Fuchs as a candidate for reelection to the office of Mayor of Sikeston at the April election, subject to the will of the voters.

We are authorized to announce C. F. Bruton as a candidate for election to the office of Police Chief of Sikeston at the April election, subject to the will of the voters.

We are authorized to announce William M. Pate as a candidate for election to the office of Police Chief of Sikeston at the April election, subject to the will of the voters.

The Standard is authorized to announce J. Otto Hahn as alderman of Ward Three, to succeed himself, subject to the will of the voters in the City Election, April 5.

The Standard is authorized to announce W. L. Waggoner as candidate for Alderman in Ward 1, subject to the will of the voters in the City Election, April 5.

The Standard is authorized to announce Hubert Boyer as candidate for Alderman in Ward 2, subject to the will of the voters in the City Election, April 5.

The Standard is authorized to announce the candidacy of Elmos Taylor for the position of Collector of Revenue in the City of Sikeston to succeed himself, subject to the will of the voters in the City election April 5.

The Standard is authorized to announce Wade G. Anderson candidate for Sheriff of Scott County on the Democratic ticket, subject to the will of the voters in the August primary.

The Standard is authorized to announce E. E. Arthur candidate for alderman in Ward One, subject to the will of the voters at the City Election, April 5.

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Cape Girardeau, February 4.—Seven casts are entered in the Southeast Missouri High School Folk Drama Tournament to be held at State Teachers' College, Saturday night, February 20, when they will compete for trophies for the best individual acting and presentation of student-written plays.

Schools entered their plays and the authors are: Poplar Bluff, "Big Deer"; Aileen Ditzer, "Doniphan," "The Channel of Blessings"; Frances Allen; Senath, "The Vanquished"; Bertha Groomes; Sikeston, "L'Anse à la Graisse"; Ruth Powell; Oran, "The Harness Family"; Helen Matthews; Morley, "Red Is For Courage"; Nancy Leslie; Cape Girardeau, "Candles"; Maxine Isley.

Frances Allen, Doniphan senior, has been selected as winner of the play-writing contest in which students wrote original one-act folk plays on historical or modern incidents with which they were familiar. The winning play is based on the Indian legend of how Big Spring was created near Van Buren. Second

place went to Bertha Groomes, Senath, whose play, "The Vanquished", concerns the effect of a miserly father on his daughter.

Other winners in the play-writing contest were: Allen Ditzer, Poplar Bluff, third, for "Big Deer", with a folk dance as its background; Ruth Powell, Sikeston, fourth, for "L'Anse à la Graisse", a play with French characters of the early history of New Madrid; Cecilia Hagemann, Hayti, whose play, "The Passing of Hammy Shane", concerned an alleged notorious character of that locality, and Nancy Leslie, Morley, who "Red Is For Courage", has a plot based on the early history of this area.

Casts winning first and second place in the presentation contest will be chosen to present their plays Saturday evening, April 2, in the rotunda of the Old Court House in St. Louis, before drama patrons of the St. Louis Art League. At this performance, original plays developed in the Folk Drama Tournament will make up a full evening program as part of a series of four performances sponsored by the St. Louis Art League. College High School of Cape Girardeau will present three plays as a part of the program.

We know of nothing more worthy of support than homes for orphans, but we never knew there were so many in this country until the past few weeks. Neither have we had as many tambourines shoved in our faces as during the same period. While working over a typewriter a few days ago our attention was aroused, and we looked up into the face of a very fine looking young woman by our side, but just as we were getting enthused, up came a tambourine, and our enthusiasm disappeared as mist before the rising sun.—Jackson Cash Book.

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State boards should be abolished. All of them have outlived their usefulness. If farmers cannot function these enlightened days without a Board of Agriculture, or lawyers without a State Law Board, or dentists without a State Dental Board, the doctors without a State Board of Health, or if Osteopaths, nurses, home doctors, beauticians, barbers and interests of other sorts would be doomed by removal of their guardians, then let nature take its course.—Paris Appeal.

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### Chapter III

#### WHAT HAS HAPPENED SO FAR

Windy Riker, leading C. P. O. of the U. S. S. airplane carrier Saratoga, stationed at North Island, San Diego, a sailor for twenty years, is ruffled when Steve Nelson, a smart, up-to-date, "new navy" C. P. O. is assigned to the ship's personnel. They have never liked each other. Windy's fists are the sceptre of his petty authority over the sailors—an expression of power at which Steve scoffs. The ill-feeling between them flares into bed blood when Steve draws a reprimand for Windy by showing to the Commander the real cause why a bomb failed to leave the wing of a plane at target practice.

#### NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY

"THE BARGAIN" Windy walked rapidly to overtake Steve before he entered the hangar, putting a pleasant and guileless expression on his face.

"Hey, Nelson," he called cheerily. Steve waited, somewhat suspiciously, for Windy to overtake him, but made no protest when Windy tucked a hand under his arm and guided him off to the right of the entrance into hangar.

"You seem pretty smart about machinery," said Windy. "Guess you'd better take charge of the field lights tonight."

members of his staff. Windy hastened his way to the hangar. As he passed the parked cars of the visitors, he came to a surprised halt. There was Baldy Barnes, showing about a most gorgeous creature; a woman of uncertain age, rouged and powdered, but of regal manner who examined the place nonchalantly through lorgnettes. They came to a pause beside a parked car and Windy was walking on when Baldy caught sight of him.

"Good evening, gentlemen," the Admiral replied to the greetings of the officers, putting on the helmet. "I want to pick up the Saratoga thirty miles off Point Loma."

"Aye, aye, sir," responded Griffin. "The planes are ready."

Griffin was flying the Admiral out to the fleet himself, leaving Windy behind. The latter helped the Admiral into the rear cock-pit and then leaned over to Griffin in the front of the plane and yelling to make him self heard above the roar of the engines, asked:

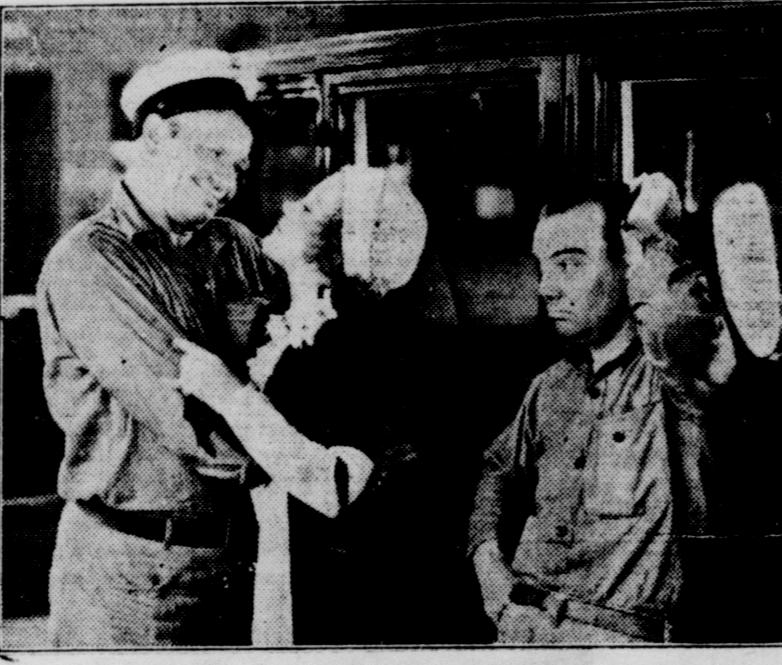
"Everything all right, sir?" Griffin nodded, smiling. He cupped his hands to make Windy hear.

"We're going to do some tactical work when we get back. Keep the field lights on."

"Aye, aye. Have a good hop, sir."

He backed away from the plane, signalling briskly with his arms for the attendants to remove the blocks.

He watched Griffin take to the air, followed by Duke Johnson and Fisher who were taking the Admiral's two staff members off to the Saratoga. All three machines made beautiful



"Lulu!" cried Windy, joyously, and held out his arms.

"O. K., if you say so," replied Steve, with a sidelong glance in which suspicion was not entirely absent.

"With you looking after the lights, I know everything will go off all right," continued Windy, still guiding Steve away from the hangar towards the latrine marked "Enlisted Men." Behind that Windy came to a halt.

"Oh, yes, another thing, Nelson—" His fists popped suddenly against Steve's chin and the latter staggered back against the lattice work, completely dazed, groggy, unable for the moment to put up any defence. The sheeriness was gone entirely from Windy's face which had settled into grim lines. He shook his fist in front of Steve's nose.

"Whenever I tell anyone in this squadron what's wrong with a bomb, that's what's wrong with it!"

Steve, still leaning against the lattice-work, was shaking his head as though to clear it. He made a weak gesture with his right hand which Windy may have interpreted to be an attempt at a blow in retaliation, for he was about to strike again when he heard steps approaching. He had just lowered his hands when Duke Johnson turned the corner. He stopped and took in the situation. Windy was standing before Steve, who had straightened up but still leaned against the wall for support.

"What's going on here?" Johnson demanded of Steve.

"Nothing, sir," replied the new C. P. O. "The Chief was just giving me an assignment for tonight."

Johnson apparently was not satisfied with Steve's explanation. He turned to Windy, with a grim and severe look.

"What order were you giving Nelson?"

"Why, to take charge of the field lights tonight," replied Windy.

"I've heard about your using your fists—before," said Johnson. "If I ever catch you at it again, Riker, you'll spend the rest of your hitch in the brig."

"Yes, sir," said Windy, and watched the Executive Officer stride away. Unashamed, tongue in cheek. Windy waited until he was out of sight. Then he turned to the still groggy Steve, a beaming grin on his face, and let fly a good stiff right to the jaw. Steve slumped down against the wall, slid to the ground and lay there unconscious. Windy surveyed him a moment and walked away as though nothing had happened.

The squadron field was well lighted that evening when a black limousine with the Admiral came to a purring stop before the hangar of Squadron One. Beside the steady glow of lights which turned the field into day, searchlights were playing about, crisscrossing, playing now upon planes in the air, now upon a group of mechanics or officers about the field; occasionally the swift-moving beams came to rest upon the rows of the parked automobiles of night visitors, or traveled rapidly across the night sky.

Griffin and Johnson stepped forward to meet the Admiral as he got out of the auto, followed by two with a kind of disgust at such unim-

passioned love-making. Windy hastened his way to the hangar. As he passed the parked cars of the visitors, he came to a surprised halt. There was Baldy Barnes, showing about a most gorgeous creature; a woman of uncertain age, rouged and powdered, but of regal manner who examined the place nonchalantly through lorgnettes. They came to a pause beside a parked car and Windy was walking on when Baldy caught sight of him.

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## M-2 FOUND BESIDE A GERMAN U-BOAT SUNK DURING WAR

Portland, England, February 4.—Divers today studied plans for raising the British submarine M-2, discovered in the wreck-strewn Dead Man's Bay lying alongside a German U-boat sunk during the World War.

The M-2 had been missing since January 26. Rescue vessels had worked over the area in the English Channel where she was found many times, but the sweeps had brought up only submarine signal flags.

The cause of the disaster has not been determined, nor have divers learned how many bodies of the sixty men aboard the submarine when she dived for the last time still are inside.

The M-2 was found about 5.8 miles off Portland Bill, where divers had inspected four wrecks within a radius of a quarter of a mile twenty-four hours after the submarine disappeared. The submarine is lying in 103 feet of water.

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### JUNIOR ACCOUNTING CLUB TO BE STARTED BY COUNTY AGENT FURRY

A junior farmers accounting club is being planned by County Agent Furry. The proposed club is to be made up of advanced high school boys and those in early twenties who are interested in keeping records on meet over a period of 14 months at their fathers farms. This club will times that are most convenient to the members.

The purpose of the club is to get more farm accounts kept on farms. The Missouri College of Agriculture is using the Illinois Farm Record Books for this work and accounts are being kept in practically all counties in the State. In Illinois over 5000 farmers keep these records in co-operation with the College of Agriculture which in turn assists the farmers in the work and assists in analyzing the years records for them.

The Club will be led personally by the agent. Two sets of books will be used by each club member. One will be used in the farm records at home while a "dummy book" will be used in the club work itself to train them to keep the actual book properly. This is for the purpose of uniform training and at same time the individual farm business is kept a matter for the individual itself and not subject to observation of other members.

Two at Benton have agreed to join and one at Kelso. Membership will not be limited and is open to any interested. Those who may be interested in joining this club should immediately get in touch with the Agent as it is proposed to start this club the later part of the month. All records books are being furnished by the Agent.

### Sold Furniture For Car

Jefferson City, February 4.—Mrs. Eva Iola Templeton told Circuit Judge W. S. Stillwell today, that her husband, Warren L. Templeton, sold his furniture in order to purchase a motor car. She was granted a divorce.

Fairmount—Mrs. Julian Q. Stone opened bakery at 11016 Winner road. The longest day of the year, at London is 16½ hours.

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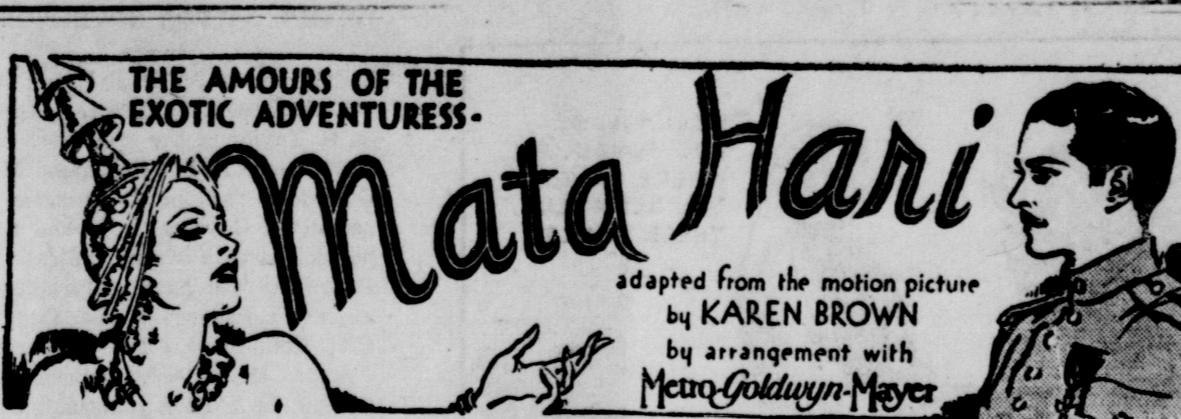
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### Chapter XI

"I've no objection to getting you news of him, my dear, if he's really in a hospital nearby. Durant says she called someone you know at the Russian Embassy. A very dangerous thing to do. You might have ap-plied to me."

"Thanks. I'll get my own news of him. I don't see much danger that's not of your making. I should not have hid. And if they questioned me, known nothing about Shubin's—suicide. You say it's rumored he killed himself for my sake. What's that to me? Several men have killed themselves for my sake. Why, they're not even looking for me—by your account. And if I were going about, as usual, the matter would be quickly for-gotten."

"What's this I hear about this new and complete madness of yours?" de-manded Adriana, for once permitting his anger to be visible in his frowning face and intent eyes. "What sort of a fantastic scheme have you concocted, when I have made everything ready for your escape?"

"So Mother Durant got word to you?"

"Of course Durant go word to me! Did you think you would be per-mitted to go? How Durant, whom I

Whatever Adriana believed, he kept to himself, shunning confidantes, women and satellites like the plagues he said they were. He had a routine so regular, so seemingly innocuous as to have baffled any suspicion. Here, one would have said, was a man with nothing to hide. Else why could he always be found in more or less the



"I must see him, Adriana."

same places at more or less the same hours, always correctly attired, urbane, if rather dry, with his gray face and his enigmatic eyes.

The morning he spent at his gambling house in town, the evening at the more luxurious Pavilion. He lunched alone and dined at his own quarters in the Pavilion, where sometimes he had guests. In afternoons, he strolled on the boulevards, had his glass of beer or wine in various cafes, where sometimes acquaintances would come to sit at his table and chat with him. He appeared to be very much interested in books. He would often rummage among the book stalls on the left bank of the Seine and had a share apparently more for pleasure than for profit in a little second-hand book shop near the Odeon, run by an old woman named Duran.

In the weeks during which Shubin's death formed a subject of gossip and speculation in knowledgeable circles, anyone concerned with Adriana's movements might have noticed that he went rather more often than usual to this little shop. He paid his visits openly in broad daylight. However, he had the means at his disposal to assure himself that no one was concerned.

"Haven't you? What do you know of me, Adriana? What do you know of the solitude and the suffering I've endured in rooms as miserable as this?"

It was true. He knew nothing. This was the first word he had ever had from her in all their acquaintanceship, in their necessary close connection, which referred to that childhood and girlhood which was only rumor. But it was hardly the time for curiosity.

Nevertheless, he swerved to different tactics.

"Come, be reasonable. In the first place, how do you know Rosanoff's wounded?"

"I read it in the casualty lists. Then I—"

"Oh, the casualty lists! Why, the man may be dead! If his plane was shot down, most likely what happened, then he's certainly dead—"

"He's not dead!" she cried at him, beating at him with one clenched fist. "He's not. I know it. Don't dare to say that he's dead!"

Catching her wrist and imprisoning it in the vice of his fingers, Adriana said, "You love him, then?"

"Yes."

He let her go.

After a silence in which the dancer nursed her wrist and Adriana re-flected, the latter began afresh.

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

Mrs. Hiram Warner, who has been in a critical condition most of the time for the past year, died at the hospital at Farmington Tuesday.

The following out-of-town relatives attended the funeral of Mrs. Mollie Evans here Thursday: Warren Walters and daughter, Miss Lucille, of Jonesboro, Ark., Marvin Smith of Clay, Ky., Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Dobbs and daughter, Miss Retha, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Englehart and baby of Cape Girardeau, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Evans of Oran, L. O. Williams of Vanduser, James Evans and son, Claud of Zalma, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Swaim and baby and Mrs. Anna Underwood of Sikeston.

Mrs. R. J. Tomlinson has been ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Losse at Fornfelt, the past week.

Dr. C. D. Harris, H. F. Emerson and Harris Foster left early Saturday morning for Florida for two weeks' fishing. They went by motor.

Joyce Emerson returned Thursday, after a few months' stay at Bragadocio, where he was manager for a cotton gin.

Mrs. Ralph Vaughn was confined to her home by sickness a few days the past week.

Mesdames C. D. Cummins and Bob Darter were Cape Girardeau visitors Thursday.

Mrs. R. J. Dobbs of Cape Girardeau T. B. Evans of Upton, Ky., and James Evans of Zalma were called here Wednesday by the death of their mother, Mrs. Mollie Evans.

Mrs. Ruth Finney and C. D. Harris, Jr., went to Troy, Mo., Saturday for a brief visit with their brothers, Dr. Harold Harris and J. V. Harris. Jake Curd of St. Louis is a guest of relatives here.

Jack Lee made another of his frequent trips to St. Louis Thursday.

Roberts entered the drug store owned by Dr. C. D. Harris Saturday night and several fountain pens and two watches were missed. Entrance was gained by breaking a window.

Morley girls lost to Diehlstadt last Thursday night at the Diehlstadt Tournament with a score of 43 to 19. They won from Anniston Saturday and played Bell City in the finals and won the cup in the losers' division.

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### TO HOLD OUTLOOK CONFERENCE IN MADRID COUNTY FRIDAY, FEB. 19

County Extension Agent Scott M. Julian announces that arrangements have been completed for the holding of a New Madrid County Agricultural Outlook Conference. The time is Friday, February 19, at the Court House in New Madrid.

Arrangements have been made for College of Agriculture representatives to be present to discuss the general price outlook for the commodities which New Madrid County produces.

The purpose of this meeting is to acquaint local farmers with the general conditions likely to affect 1932 prices of things produced here, and to indicate what local farm adjustments may be made in order to meet the situation.

A study of this information is being recognized more and more by farmers as having tremendous importance because price fluctuations so vitally affect farm incomes.

The results at the conclusion of the recent economic survey will also be presented at the conference. This local information was secured in New Madrid County and indicates the shifts in farm operations now going on in the county. It also shows what local farmers intentions are for 1932. Arrangements as to the days program in detail will be made next week.

### CANALOU CENTER WINS PLACE ON ALL-STAR HOOP TEAM IN TOURNEY PLAY

The Canalou girls were defeated by the Illmo team in the tournament at Diehlstadt Saturday. This was a hard fought game and the Canalou girls were leading at the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters. In the last quarter the Illmo girls forged ahead and were 4 points in the lead when the game ended.

Gracie Newman, better known as 'Sissie', the running center for Canalou, was selected on the 1st all-star team at this tournament.

### WANT ADS

**FOR RENT**—Furnished room, steam heat. Phone 315. tf.

**WANTED**—Light house work or care for invalid or two small children. Miss Julia Holmes, 334 Trotter St. tf-34.

**FOUND**—A large bed blanket. Owner can have same by describing it and paying for this notice.—J. W. Stone.

**FOR RENT**—Nine-room house, 837 Park Ave. Write W. T. Walker, 4310 O'Bear Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 2t-37

**FOR RENT**—Rooms for housekeeping.—805 North Kingshighway. tf-38

**FOR RENT**—Modern 5-room steam heated apartment, including hot water year 'round. Reasonable. Phone 609w.—T. A. Slack. 1t-38

**FOR RENT**—Modern bed room.—218 N. Stoddard, phone 109.—Mrs. M. G. Gresham. tf-38.

### Illmo Wins Diehlstadt Hoop Contest Defeating Hosts in Final Game Saturday Night

Illmo won first place in the Diehlstadt girls' invitation tournament played Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Diehlstadt, by trouncing their hosts in the final tilt Saturday night. Perryville defeated Morley in the consolation bracket to take third place.

The twelve Southeast Missouri teams participating in the second annual event included, Diehlstadt, East Prairie, Blodgett, Bell City, Vandu-

ser, Morley, Canalou, Illmo, Anniston, Perryville, Essex and Fornfelt.

The tourney opened Thursday night with four games Perryville defeating Anniston 24 to 6, while the Essex girls downed Fornfelt 37 to 10.

J. Malone of Diehlstadt saved her team for the finals by sinking a field goal in the last two seconds of play against East Prairie, winning the game 20 to 19, in the second tourney racket Friday, while Illmo defeated Canalou 33 to 29.

Two exhibition boys' games were on the schedule Friday night in which the Diehlstadt boys spilled the dope by sending the Cape Girardeau College Preps home with a 21 to 15 defeat. Fornfelt boys defeated Anniston 35 to 14 in the second game.

Ten games were played Saturday. J. Malone of Diehlstadt was leading scorer of the tournament with 89 points. Bowers of Illmo came second with 72 markers.

All-star selections made by coaches and Lyman Dale of Cape Girardeau, tourney referee, include the following:

**First Team**  
J. Malone, Diehlstadt, forward  
Bowers, Illmo, forward  
Newman, Cape, running center  
Skelton, Diehlstadt, jump center  
Diamond, Perryville, guard  
Moore, East Prairie, guard

**Second Team**  
Wallace, Bell City, forward  
Corleu, Essex, forward  
Hall, Illmo, jump center  
Cunningham, Morley, running center

**Franklin, Diehlstadt, guard**  
Hoeh, Perryville, guard

### BROTHER OF FILM STAR TO APPEAR IN KENNEDT

Yours very truly,  
**VINCENT O. MCCLUSKY,**  
Editor-in-chief of Rothesay  
"Blue and White".

### FORMER BERTRAND RESIDENT DIES IN CHARLESTON

Charleston, February 5.—Funeral services were held Saturday at 1:30 p. m. for Alfred Groves, 65, who died last night at his home on East Marshall Street, following a two-month illness of heart trouble.

The services were conducted by the Rev. J. L. Glassey, pastor of the M. E. Church at East Prairie.

Mr. Groves is survived by his widow, Mrs. Lillian Groves, three daughters, Doris Groves and Mrs. J. W. Spencer of St. Louis, and Mrs. Raymond Cox of Bismarck, and three sons, Howard of Charleston, Earl of Bertrand, and Jeff of Jefferson City, and one sister, Mrs. Mary Stagg of Portland, Tenn.

Mr. Groves and family moved to this city last August from his farm near Bertrand, where they had resided for the past 34 years.

### CARSON-CARMODY

Miss Dorothy Carmody, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Carmody was married to Willie Carson at 11:30 o'clock Sunday morning with Rev. Finis E. Jones reading the ceremony. Witnesses were Edward Carmody and Miss Vivian Gaskins.

Mr. Carson is employed by Carson and Righter, truck operators here. For the time being Mr. and Mrs. Carson will make their home with his cousin, Pearl Allen, in Sikeston.

### GRAND PIANO BARGAIN

We are offering for sale in the vicinity of Sikeston, one beautiful apartment size grand piano, only used a few months and guaranteed the same as new. Will sell for balance due on contract, only \$327. Original price \$650. Will accept your old piano in trade and arrange easy terms. For particulars address P. A. Starck Piano Co., 1018 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.

### DANIEL G. TAYLOR FAVORS DEARMONT FOR GOVERNORSHIP

By Curtis A. Betts, in Post-Dispatch. Endorsement by former Judge Daniel G. Taylor of the candidacy of Senator Russell L. Dearmont of Cape Girardeau for the Democratic nomination for Governor is looked upon by politicians as a strong indication that Dearmont will have material support among members of the Democratic City Committee. The supporters of Francis M. Wilson, Dearmont's opponent, have been counting on virtually the entire committee for Wilson.

With Taylor open for Dearmont there is now a line-up of most of the "financial angels" of the St. Louis Democratic organization for the Cape Girardeau Senator, others including W. Frank Carter and Tom K. Smith, having signed the Dearmont-for-governor club roster several weeks ago.

There is no doubt that the natural tendency of the St. Louis committee would be to follow the Pendleton organization of Kansas City in support of Wilson, but it will be extremely difficult for the local politicians to go against the wishes of the men who have handed over \$50, \$100 or \$500 whenever the organization treasury was empty and money was needed to keep things going.

Wilson's manager in St. Louis, former Congressman William L. Igoe, for many years has had much influence with the members of the party committee, and as against almost any group except Taylor, Carter, Smith and their associates, could dictate committee action in a primary. But in view of the situation as it has developed the informed politicians are expecting primary results to show that Dearmont has had the support of considerably more than a majority of the committee.

Though Dearmont has not yet begun a speaking campaign he has been visiting many counties in connection with organization work begun by his supporters. Strong Dearmont organizations have been formed in Buchanan, Jasper, Nodaway, Andrew and Holt Counties, as well as all the southeast Missouri counties.

In endorsing Dearmont, Taylor said he considered him "a courageous young man, fundamentally sound upon the important principles of government, such a man as the State needs for Governor". Taylor said he believed Dearmont would be nominated.

The endorsement was given by Taylor in connection with a statement that he would not be a candidate for Democratic National Committeeman. As was told in the Post-Dispatch several weeks ago, many of Taylor's friends, active in Democratic politics, had urged him to seek the place.

### STRANGE FISH CAUGHT IN ST. FRANCIS RIVER BAFFLES FISHERMEN

Forrest City, Ark., February 5.—Baffling fishermen and local scientists is a strange fish on exhibit here which was caught by R. E. Williams at Big Eddy on the St. Francis River. No one has been able to identify it. It is seven inches long, on each side near the head are seven air holes. It has three eyes in a row across the top of its head. Its teeth are arranged in circles.

The fish is slick and swims like an eel. It sticks to the side of the glass bowl with a suction grip and cannot be pulled away by hand. When caught in a net the fish was attached to a buffalo fish, which soon died. Williams attached the freak fish to another buffalo, which also soon died. It is thought that it sucks the blood of its captive.

Dr. H. M. Todd, local sportsman, is interested in having it identified.

### U. S. FLEET READY TO GO TO SHANGHAI IF NEEDED

Washington, Feb. 2.—The United States battle fleet, now steaming toward Hawaii for maneuvers, is equipped to keep on going to Shanghai should events there require its presence, Secretary of the Navy Adams said this afternoon.

At Laconia, N. H., recently a man was fined \$100 in municipal court on a charge of "intent to drive an automobile while under the influence of liquor". It was the first arrest under a new State law which provides that the man in the driver's seat, if intoxicated, can be arrested as soon as the ignition switch is turned on.

Washington Hocks reports he saw a truck load of mules passing through here Tuesday. He says if horses, mules and hogs keep on riding around in trucks, they will soon begin to think they are as good as we are.—Commercial Appeal.

A young argument started around the stove at the Rye Straw store this morning, but when the storekeeper let the fire go down, it died in its infancy.—Commercial Appeal.

### EIGHT MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE GIVEN BY FAYETTE MO. SCHOOL THIS YEAR

Fayette, Mo.—All applications for music scholarships for next year in the Swinney Conservatory of Music at Central College must be made before May 1, it has been announced by Dr. N. Louise Wright, director of the Conservatory and professor of music in Central College.

Eight music scholarships, four of which include all cost of music instruction offered by the Conservatory, are offered each year to graduates of Missouri high schools. Four others include one-half the cost of any music instruction. Students receiving the scholarship must attend Central College the first year after their graduation from high school if they are to receive the benefit of the scholarships.

### JAPAN'S WEAK SPOT

A precipitous fall in the price of silk in Yokohama, due to fear of curtailed American purchases, shows where Japan's weak spot is located, and gives an inkling of the effectiveness of the Chinese boycott. There are indications that even without concerted action abroad, the pressure on Japanese industry created by the country's militarist policy will result in a domestic crisis.

The population of Japan, almost stationary for a thousand years, has doubled since 1870. Sixty million people are cooped up on islands with

only half as much arable land as is found in the State of Iowa. This increase was made possible by and is supported by industrialization, centering in cotton exports to China and silk exports to the United States. Disruption of half of this trade means an approach to starvation; disruption of it all means bankruptcy and prostration.

Japan, built on silk and cotton, is like an inflated, bomb-carrying balloon, powerful while in the air, but with no place to come down.—St. Louis Star.

St. Paul knew his legislatures when he said that of the making of books there was no end. About seventeen thousand new laws were created last year.

Explorers have uncovered what they believe to be the tomb of Pharaoh's daughter, who found Moses in the bulrushes, and scientists have discovered the bones of an extinct bird which was large enough to carry off a man, as described in the Arabian Nights. The myth and legend theory may have to be laid aside as a means for accounting for everything strange and unusual in the writings of the remote past. The old timers may have had good eyes, ears and memories, rather than good imaginations.

Higginsville—Survey being made of Blue Book route between this city and Corder.

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## FAIR WARNING

In all probability we will begin moving next Monday to the Dorroh Building on Center Street.

That means this week will be your last chance to buy serviceable

## FURNITURE AT REMOVAL SALE PRICES

## MAY SOLVE MANY ROBBERIES

The capture Sunday of two men, Curtis Sweeney and Elmer Worthy, while attempting to enter the Baudendistal & Schoen general store, Illmo, may lead to uncovering an organized gang, said to have operated in Sikeston, Poplar Bluff and Memphis, Tenn. They were lodged temporarily in the Scott County jail.

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## Fake U.S. Secret Service Agent Arrested at Illmo

Bill and Dan Carter are behind bars, one in New Madrid County jail awaiting action of the Federal grand jury, and the other in jail at Benton formally charged with impersonating an officer.

William Haines, alias William Carter, aged about 28, was picked up on suspicion Friday by special agent Elliot of the Cotton Belt Railroad, when he was found hiding in a freight car at Illmo. Haines carried an army pistol, and wore a crude U. S. Secret Service badge, home made, which it is believed, had been cut out of the bottom of a heavy aluminum pan.

Sheriff Tom Scott and a real Department of Justice agent compared notes here in Sikeston Friday night, and reached the tentative conclusion that Carter was the Haines wanted for working a postoffice rural route fraud last September at Grandin, Mo., Carter County. The scheme was worth two or three days' free board and room at the Grandin Hotel operated by James McKinney, and an automobile "borrowed" from one of two young men of that community who were supposed to be "working for the government" under Carter's supervision.

Carter blew into Grandin, established credit with the hotel and announced that he had been assigned by the Postoffice department to measure all rural routes out of Grandin, and that he wanted to employ all local labor "to assist in helping the depression." He was authorized to pay \$6 per day for a 6-hour day, 6-day week, he told prospects. Equipment consisted of a 5-cent notebook and a two-rod chain. The only provision made by Haines or Carter, was that the work was to be done accurately. He wanted rural delivery routes "measured to the inch."

At the hotel, Haines explained it might be a couple or three weeks before his expense and salary checks would arrive, and because he was extremely short of money, he succeeded in borrowing all he asked for from the hotel proprietor and others about town.

After remaining at Grandin something like two weeks, Haines borrowed an automobile owned by one of his "employees", and left. The automobile was abandoned near Doniphan.

Since that time Haines has been at large. After he was arrested and placed in jail at Benton, Sheriff Tom Scott met with a department of justice agent and casually mentioned the fact that he had Haines in jail. The

## RODMAN GETS TRANSFER TO JEFFERSON CITY OFFICE

Fred Rodman, connected with the Division 10 Highway office as draftsman and designer for the past several years, was transferred Friday to the Jefferson City headquarters office, where he will be stationed in the future in the department of Building Construction.

Mr. Rodman, in accepting this transfer, again enters his original department of work, that of architec-

## Charleston Cagers Defeat Bulldogs 24-12; Sikeston Girls Win

Sikeston and Charleston divided the doubleheader basketball event here Friday night with the local girls closing their game 37 to 16, while the visiting Jays doubled the score on the Bulldogs 24 to 12.

The local boys found themselves without the use of Jere Caverino, center and pivot man on the team, who during the week suffered an eye injury, which benches him for the rest of the season. Sikeston plays lagged and the boys seemed more or less

discouraged. Charleston on the other hand, dropped markers through the loop from every possible angle on the court and had little difficulty in holding the lead.

The local girls played stellar brand of basketball worked for an early game lead and easily maintained their out-front position during the contest.

Mrs. W. M. Moore of Canalou was in Sikeston last Thursday.

## CHILD PERISHES WHEN HOME BURNS

### Best Student Play Writers



Winners of second annual contest of Southeast Missouri High School Folk Drama Tournament: Left to right, upper—Frances Allen, Doniphon, first, and Bertha Groomes, Senath, second. Lower—Ruth Powell, Sikeston, fourth, and Aileen Ditzer, Poplar Bluff, third. Seven casts are entered in the Southeast high school tournament to be held at State Teachers' College in Cape Girardeau, Saturday night, February 20.—Courtesy St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Mrs. G. L. Farris, Misses Lucille and Tylene Kendall, Mrs. Walter Kendall and Louis Fluelling drove to St. Louis Monday for a few days' stay.

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The Superintendent of the Poplar Bluff water plant reports his water works are functioning 100 per cent. So is ours.

One of our late lamented citizens, in speaking of a long-jawed business man, said he was a "damned sanctimonious thief", and perhaps he wasn't wrong at that.

I love my dear pussy,  
Her coat is so warm,  
And if I don't hurt her  
She'll do me no harm.

—Verse from McGuffey's reader used in school 60 years ago.

Friday's Post-Dispatch carried the pictures of the four Southeast Missouri girls who won first four places in Southeast Missouri High School Folk Drama Tournament. While our Miss Ruth Ward Powell did not win first place in the Drama Contest, she was easily the winner of first place in good looks.

The County Court of Monroe County has changed its road districts from the original 55 to 10, which will be a big saving. Scott County should fall in line and reduce her number of districts. With the Federal, State, and Farm-to-Market roads, there is no reason why any county in the State should carry so many road overseers.

There is no doubt in the world but what Mr. Hoover means to help the country when he urges the hoarding of money to cease. Until there is some way to guarantee the small depositor that his savings are safe in a bank, it will be an uphill job to get him to use a bank instead of a sock in which to keep his money. There is not every bank in the land as safe as the Bank of Sikeston or the Sikeston Trust Co., so why use talk without a guarantee.

X. Schneider, who was buried in Sikeston Friday afternoon, was a poor man who died rich. Not in this world's goods, but in the good name that he left behind. The years that we knew him we never heard of him complaining about anything, always had a smile and pleasant word. That is why he died rich. Many rich men of today never have a kind word or smile for anyone, but on the other hand are pessimistic and can see no sunshine on the brightest day. We would not trade X. Schneider's chances of the hereafter for millions of wealth that would have to be left behind. A brother Mason of the humble sort who left behind pleasant memories of a true man.

The following is an editorial from a Wisconsin exchange which is worth thinking over: "A proper tax would be a tax on idleness and shiftlessness—a tax on the waster instead of the worker. Such a tax of course is impractical, but it is more just. As it is we tax the worker. If he saves his money and builds a home, we tax him more. If he improves his home and puts in a furnace, we raise his taxes. If he adds a new porch he is landed again. Across the street from him may live a man who, with equal opportunity, does nothing. He dreams some day he will lead an army upon Washington to demand legislation for his type. In the meantime the worker goes on working, paying his own way and the other fellow's."

If you commit a murder and don't wish to be hanged, hire scientific experts. Mrs. Ruth Judd is accused of killing two women. She confessed at first. Now scientists, alienists, specialists, say she is really not a murderer, only a woman afflicted with "mother mania". To prove it, they say that she imagines herself the mother of children that she never had and keeps a picture of one little boy, thinking it her son. How the scientists connect "mother mania" with the chopping up of two women is not made clear. The cold-blooded prosecution says it is a combination of jealousy and gin, an explanation that sounds more probable.—Arthur Brisbane.

The Sikeston Standard takes The Implicate too seriously in regard to Sikeston furnishing candidates for county offices. Some of the best county officers Scott County ever had came from Sikeston. The present treasurer, Mr. Felker, is from Sikeston, and if we have had a more efficient and painstaking county officer, we have never heard of it. Judge Dudley, who for years was probate judge, filled the office with credit to himself and the county there may be others whose names we have forgotten. Sikeston has furnished the most efficient and successful county chairman the Democratic party in Scott County ever had or ever will have, we refer to Mr. Harry Blanton; he was always on the job, working for the success of the party, only, and when the campaign was over and the votes counted, the Democrats of Scott County had recorded a victory in all offices voted for and in addition all bills made by the committee were paid. Mr. M. G. Gresham of Sikeston was another successful chairman of the county Democratic committee, who left no newspaper or other bills unpaid when he went out of office. The Implicate is sorry, the article has been misconstrued.—Illino Implicate.

By the way, do you listen in on grain quotations from the big markets? There is Winnipeg, 400 miles north of St. Paul, in a very distant part of Canada, where there is no tariff on grain. And there is Chicago, a thousand miles nearer to Europe, in a country that has a tariff of 30c a bushel on wheat. The wheat price at Winnipeg, however, is higher than in Chicago.—Paris Appeal.

**Washington Sidelights—1887**

(By Charles L. Blanton, Sr.)

For years friends have asked us to write a more or less connected story or our early experiences in the Nation's Capitol. Since an outline of the series-to-be has not been prepared, the paragraphs and personal reminiscences will probably be disconnected. At best, they will deal with sidelights, views back stage so to speak, as they are recalled after a lapse of years. From time to time characters who figure prominently in history textbooks will be permitted to appear, perhaps "in character" and perhaps not. Occasionally we may have occasion to quote some old friend; to describe some particular phase of government; to outline the inside workings of a department, reserving always the right to express these thoughts as they originally impressed us.

**ARTICLE I.****A COUNTRY BOY**

Early in June, 1887, Hon. Chas. H. Mansur, of Chillicothe, Mo., member of Congress from the 2d Missouri District, secured an appointment in the Government Printing office at Washington for the writer, and soon thereafter there appeared in that city, a pretty green country boy. It is true we had been in Kansas City, St. Louis, and several lesser cities, but never so far away from home that we could not return within a few hours.

In those days, a Pullman berth was out of the question for a man from the country, so two nights and a day were consumed in making the trip. Except for homesickness, we got along very well, but at the end of three months had saved enough money to buy round trip to Paris, for a visit with homefolks.

Soon after returning to Washington, Col. Mansur took us through the

ington room with a large fireplace, in which Washington spent the night when in the city. Anyway, about the second week of our being at the Hillman House, a reception of some sort was had to which all boarders were invited. We started into the parlors when on a sofa or divan, we saw a negro man and a white woman seated together and enjoying a social visit. We were not accustomed to this, so retired from the reception. The colored man was Fred Douglas and the woman was Belva Lockwood.

At this time Fred Douglas was the leading man of his race in the United States, was registrar of wills for the District of Columbia, and was highly respected by white people. In color he was almost white, with grey eyes and wore his thick shock of cotton-white hair down to his shoulders. His first wife was of his own race, much darker than he, and was the leader of colored society of Washington. In his employee, as registrar of wills, were many white women. His first wife died and Douglas married one of his white clerks, who hailed from New England. After his second marriage, the colored folks would have nothing to do with the pair, neither would the white folks.

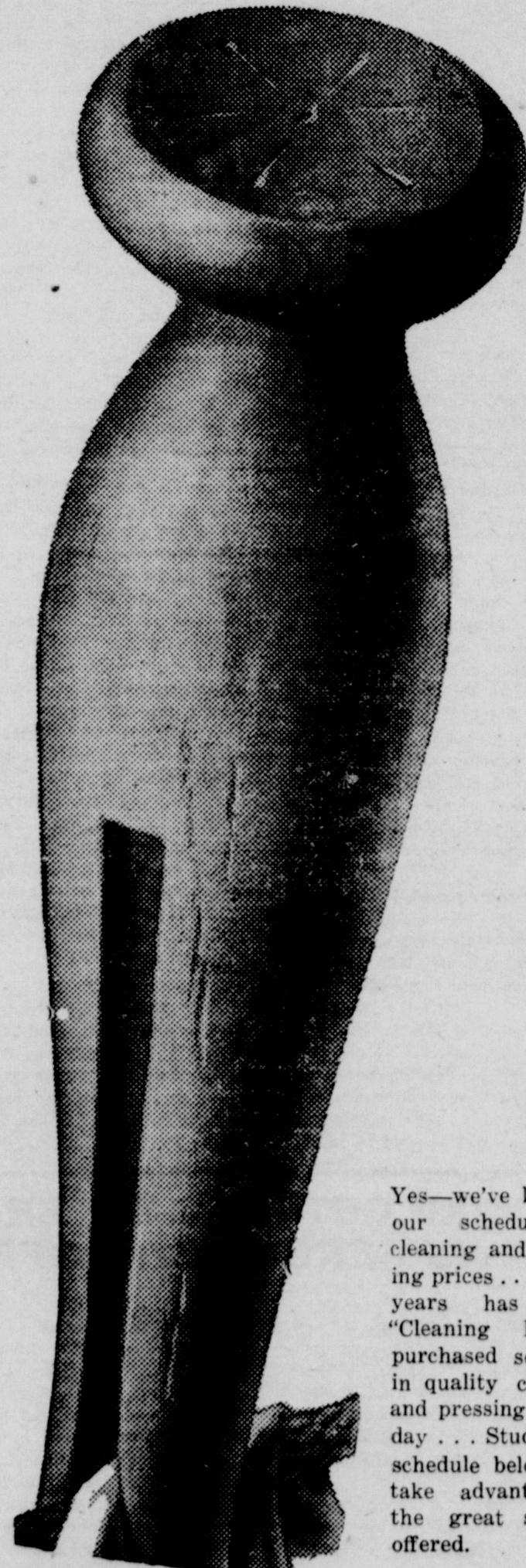
Late in the Fall of 1887, there came to Washington from Monroe County, Mo., Jacob Llewellyn, a farmer who had a claim against the government for supplies lost in 1856 when he was furnishing supplies for U. S. soldiers in that State. Congressman Mansur turned him over to me and directed us to first go to the Treasury Department and meet General Rosecrans who was Registrar of

the Treasury at that time, who could tell us if the claim had ever been paid. The warrant was found to be endorsed by A. A. Hosmer, a claim agent, who was then living in a marble mansion in Washington. We called on Mr. Hosmer, who believed I was an attorney, stated I knew it was necessary for an attorney to have power of attorney from the principal before the warrant could be cashed. The warrant was for several thousand dollars and Hosmer had kept the entire amount. So there was nothing for Mr. Llewellyn to do but return to his home in Missouri. Years after we visited in Mr. Llewellyn's home near Florida, Mo., where we were a welcome guest.

The sale of so many farms at courthouse doors these days is further evidence that what the farmer needs is less credit and better markets. These farms are being sold because of the inability of their owners to pay interest on money they had borrowed. Ninety per cent of them would have been better off without such loans. Practically all of them

Appeal.

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## SIKESTON CITY PLANT HAS \$6069 NET PROFIT

Audit of First Six Months of Operation;  
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From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch of February 5, 1932

Sikeston, Mo., February 4.—The first electric power was sent over the wires of the municipal light and power plant here May 19, 1931, to turn the wheels of Sikeston's industries and to light its homes and business houses.

Last December 1, six months later, an audit revealed, the plant had earned a gross profit of \$13,569.90 and a net profit of \$6069.97.

Starting with few customers, the city plant gradually secured more business and now supplies current to 1050 customers out of approximately 1250. The remaining 200 are being served by a private utility. The credit side of the ledger did not begin to show a definite favorable trend until the plant had been in operation for 60 days.

**Averages \$2000 a Month Net**

Under present operating conditions, however, with about 84 per cent of the entire load on its lines, the plant is averaging around \$2000 per month net profit. Dan G. Pepper, superintendent, cites the November and December revenues as proof for that statement. In November the total gross revenue amounted to \$5757.62 and expenses were \$1777.21, a gross profit of \$3980.41. December, with its increased demands for light and power due to holiday merchandising and residential Christmas lighting, was the banner month with total gross revenue of \$6-115.05.

After charging off insurance, office, distribution and plant expenses the month showed a profit of \$4157.57, from which deductions of interest, depreciation and reserve against bond retirement must be made.

Interruptions of service during the first six months total less than 10 minutes. Minor mechanical trouble at the plant accounted for four minutes of interrupted service, while the human element accounted for the remaining six.

The balance sheet for the period ending December 1 shows the following items:

Revenue	
Metered sales to residences	\$11,038.34
Metered sales for commercial purposes	9,911.46
Metered sales for power	3,850.37
Street lights and for municipal purposes	2,114.51
Total revenue	\$26,914.68
Interest on daily bank balance, discounts collected and merchandise sales	442.66
Grand total first six months	\$27,317.34
Expenses	
Production costs in power plant	\$ 7,191.21
Maintenance: Station, fuel holders, engines and miscellaneous items	259.04
Distribution expense: Operation of distribution system, salaries of linemen, etc.	1,616.99
Maintenance of poles, meters, conductors, service	385.02
Commercial expense, collecting	5.00
New business expense, advertising, etc.	498.57
General office expense: Bookkeeper, stenographer, office supplies, insurance and merchandise, legal services	3,790.61
Total expense, not including depreciation and interest on bonds	\$13,746.44
Total revenue	\$27,317.34
Total expense	\$13,747.44
Gross profit	\$13,569.90
Less Liberal depreciation	\$ 3,365.52
Less interest on bonds	4,135.31
Total	\$ 7,500.88
Net profit first 6 months	\$ 6,069.07

If the net profit of the month of November might be taken as an average normal month, and after charging off every conceivable item of expense including depreciation and reserve for retirement of bonds and interest the plant will earn the city approximately \$26,950 a year.

**Interest Lagged; Plan Dropped**

Municipal ownership of electric utilities in this city did not come about by chance. Ten years ago W. A. Fuller & Co., St. Louis consulting engineers, were employed to prepare preliminary plans and estimates for such a plant to be operated in connection with the municipally-owned waterworks system. Interest in the proposition lagged and the plan finally was dropped.

**In 1929 The Sikeston Standard, a semi-weekly publication, began gathering data from nearby municipal light and power plants, and from time to time called attention to successful plants in operation in Missouri and in other States as well.**

Not until Spring, 1930, did the proposal come to a vote.

The election was held April 1, 1930, and the proposal, a \$150,000 bond issue proposition, carried by a small majority. After a legal fight the Missouri Supreme Court in the fall of that year handed down an interpretation favorable to the proposal.

**Contract Let November 25**

The City Council, previously elected on a "light plant plank," let the contract for the plant November 25, 1930, for a total of \$123,600 to Fairbanks, Morse & Co. The bid included two 600-horsepower Diesel motors and auxiliary equipment, a building, storage tanks, cooling tower, white way, switch board and complete distribution, and on May 19, 1931, the first current was manufactured and sold to Sikeston consumers from their own plant.

Control of the plant is vested in a Board of Public Works appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the Council. The board selects the personnel of the plant and office, which includes only eight: Dan G. Pepper, superintendent; Ed Minter, chief engineer; August Little and Charles W. Prael, assistant plant engineers; Harry Hambrick and Guy Beck linemen and trouble shooters. Bookkeeper, Miss Ruth McCoy, and stenographer, Miss Tylene Kendall. All billing is done by automatic bookkeeping machines, and only the best up-to-the-minute systems prevail in plant and office.

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TWICE-A-WEEK SIKESTON STANDARD

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Local	6580	3735	3161	4194	5165	3688	5,697	32,220
Out-of-town	2528	792	728	929	762	1181	1,227	8,147
National	761	623	497	761	768	958	867	5,235
Total	9869	5150	4386	5884	6695	5827	7,791	45,602

SIKESTON'S SECOND NEWSPAPER

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Local	2145	2306	1414	1297	1715	1797	2,290	12,964
Out-of-town	692	483	511	401	250	483	468	3,288
National	680	431	488	793	742	568	547	4,249
Total	3517	3220	2413	2491	2707	2848	3,305	20,501

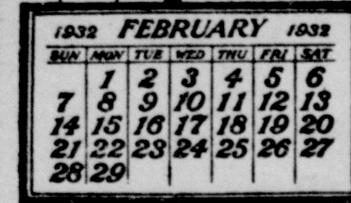
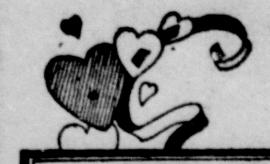
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## SIKESTON STANDARD

C. L. BLANTON, EDITOR

ISSUED TUESDAY AND FRIDAY  
AT SIKESTON, MISSOURIEntered at the Postoffice at Sikeston,  
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Congress.Rates:  
Reading notices, per line.....10c  
Bank statements.....\$10.00  
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adjoining counties.....\$2.00  
Yearly subscription elsewhere in the  
United States.....\$2.50

Another international cloud appears upon the horizon. The President has dropped thirty pounds or so, and feels fine. Mussolini sends Italy to feed up, and that reducing is bad business.

A speaker at a surgeon's convention, and Paderewski, the pianist, and former prime minister of Poland, warn us simultaneously that we are living too fast. They should have gone further and anticipated Boss Tweed's famous question: "What are you going to do about it?"

The Smith family has added another jewel to its crown. A man of that name has broken a world record by driving an auto 164 miles an hour in Australia. A Florida speed boat pilot has set a new mark by forcing his craft through the water at a clip of 111 miles an hour. It is pleasing to note that hard times have not slowed up everything.

At Norristown, Pa., Edward Allen, who killed his sister's lover, Francis Donaldson, was acquitted of the crime. This was a case of the unwritten law. If more cases of seduction would end in the seducer's death, there would be fewer cases of babes being born without a father to care for them. At the same time, something ought to be done with the girls who run loose.

Alfred E. Smith will permit his name to be used in States as a presidential candidate, but will make no fight himself for the nomination. He will support any candidate nominated at the Democratic National Convention in Chicago in June. If Smith should be the nominee, we will support him as loyally as we did the last time. No more honest or sincere man lives than Al Smith, at the same time, perhaps, it would not be best to nominate him this time.

On the 27th of January, Wilhelm of Germany was 73, and permitted his mind to roam over the many things which have happened of late to him and to the Fatherland. On the same date, Alphonso of Spain had a fall amid the snows of Switzerland, and joked about another misstep, in Madrid, that sent him into exile. The twenty-seventh was an unpleasant day for ex-kings and their departed glory.

If the City Council expects to increase the salary of the Police Chief, the City Attorney, or any other officer of the City, now is the time to pass an ordinance to that effect. Then candidates for different positions will know just what they may expect. If the Police Chief receive a stated salary and fees it is perfectly all right here, but no bonus should be paid. And if there be changes made, it should be done by ordinance. And to our way of thinking the Police Judge should be put on a regular salary with fees included. A Police Judge in a city of this class is provided by law, else we would favor abolishing the office, but under the law, it is compulsory, so we are in favor of a salary in keeping with the dignity of the city and the office. This is not inspired by anyone but is the way it looks to us.

In order that vegetable gardens and flower gardens may be at their best when it comes time to plant, now is the time to spread manure and have it spaded under. Then just before time put out seeds, roots, or plants, give it the second spading. The edi-

tor's dahlia patch is now being given attention and we expect to put out 250 hills of dahlias, 200 gladiolas and 100 tube roses. With 50 rose bushes blooming along with other flowers, our back yard should be very pretty if not profitable. The Sikeston Seed Store and the Sikeston Greenhouse will carry a large supply of bulbs that will be sold very reasonable and will add greatly to the pleasure of a home.

We doubt if a candidate on any national ticket this time will run on a prohibition ticket, if he does, he is sunk. It has been proven in the twelve years' experience that national prohibition cannot, nor will not, be enforced. Last year thirty-four million dollars were spent in trying to enforce this law, without any perceptible letup in the flow of liquor. The law will never be repealed, but some day will be modified in a way that it might be enforced. The preacher who would not favor temperance would be unfit for his calling and they should be among the first to try to create laws that would be enforceable. Anyway, here's hoping the man who succeeds Hoover will bring back better times that we may all live in peace and harmony.

The holding up and robbing of oil stations around Sikeston is getting entirely too common. Some sort of contraption should be placed in these stations that the manager could step on and give a neighborhood alarm, then let other stations answer with high power guns.

Chilly days and rain last week produced much inside candidate talk. Give us a few days of sunshine and watch the hatch.

According to a political writer there are still several countries which have not yet adopted income tax. Any of them can adopt ours with pleasure.—Punch (London).

If it is really true that the elephant never forgets, its recollection of the full-dinner-pail promise is going to worry it a whole lot in this year's campaign.—Louisville Times.

H. G. Brooks, a member of the State Highway Patrol, who was in this city Thursday, asks that we pass on a warning that should be heeded by all school children, and others as well, who have occasion to walk along the highways. Pedestrians should always walk on the left-hand side of the highway, off the slab, so that they will be facing the traffic that is on the same side of the highway they are. Children, especially, should be careful in crossing roads, and teachers and parents would do well to remind their children of the dangers that exist in playing along the highway, and in attempting to cross without looking in both directions and being sure the way is clear.—Kennett Democrat.

Sam Hellman in a recent Saturday Evening Post story springs this: "Most of the fems around here have not enough under their berets to equip a backward boll weevil".

And again, "after eight years he might be graduated as a low grade moron".

Sunday school teachers remind us of one in particular who conducts a class for young girls. Those girls are learning more applied religion that ever came out of a Sikeston pulpit, and a wealth of workaday facts about conduct, morals, and social ethics thrown in for good measure.

A few such honest, well-informed teachers in any community must have its effect for permanent betterment. In most cases girls as well as boys learn "what it's all about" via the bootleg route.

Jack Harty can copy this if he feels like it for the next issue of S. E. M. Telephone News.

'Lo girls in the Chinatown ex-

## "They Say" — Sez The Man About Town.

By Art L. Wallhausen

Samson slew millions of Philistines with the jawbone of an ass, so we are told. The modern brand of "jawbone" is just as effective.

If we are incorrect about our Biblical character, please advise.

Owen D. Young is credited with this bit of advice to the 1931 graduating class of St. Lawrence University summer school:

"Any obligation which you make perform it. If it be for money—pay it. If you cannot pay—renew it, but never neglect it and never default on it. Your credit, not for money alone, but for good faith, depends upon it."

Young folks are forever asking about the advisability of entering this profession and that. It is a good sign. This week member of the local High School body asked "Should I take up newspapering?"

That's a big order. That might mean any one of a hundred highly specialized branches of the printing trade, or it might have reference to so-called "front office" work, in which, theoretically one needs to know very little if anything about the mechanical trades connected with the business.

This person, we found out, meant ordinary reporting. We also found out that this person had no desire to study, and especially disliked history. "What's the use in learning about those old people that have been dead a thousand years?"

While we readily admit that "newspapering", in the sense employed by this lad, and hard work, have nothing in common, we were heartless enough to suggest, however, that "newspapering" is nothing more nor less than writing, interpreting, and editing current, day-by-day history.

They seem to have the idea "Cape Girardeau ueber alles", according to a school man's way of describing it.

Grandin, Mo., formerly had the largest sawmill in the State. Some of the buildings are still there, the hotel is unusually nice, considering the fate of the town, and the natives point with pride to their lake atop a hill. This body of water seems to be fed from an underground connection with Current River, for when the latter "muddies", so does the complexion of the hilltop lake change.

And Big Spring, also, disgorges sticks and stones when Old Current goes on a rampage.

Belzoni, Mississippi sounds interesting.

Goodman—James M. Boulding installing Cities Service filling station here.

## Attention Planters

## WANTED

Laredo and Virginia Soybeans cleaned, even weight bags. Mail samples and prices.

ROSE SEED CO.  
Clarksdale, Miss.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM CANALOU

(By Ethel Wright)

C. W. Harris, who has been ill for the past several days, was taken to a hospital at St. Louis, Friday night. George Allison, who had been in a hospital at St. Louis for the past several weeks, returned home Wednesday. He suffered a paralytic stroke several weeks ago. He is very much improved, but is to return for treatment again with two months.

School will be dismissed here Thursday and Friday as the teachers will attend the County Teachers' Meeting at Lilbourn.

In addition to winning a basketball game here Friday night, the local girls won a volleyball game from Portageville. The local girls have played seven volleyball games to date this season and have won six. They will play Kewanee, at Kewanee, Friday night.

Mrs. Leraun Baugh spent the weekend at her home in Braggadocio.

Mrs. Geraldine Young spent the weekend at her home here.

Several from here attended the basketball games at Diehlstadt Saturday.

The Canalou school teams divided honors with the Portageville teams here Friday night. The Portageville boys were too much for the local boys. The game was really better than the score shows. The Canalou boys started out with lots of pep and soon had a good lead, but failed to hold this lead very long. The final score was Portageville, 42 to Canalou 31. The girls' game was a different story. The local girls took the lead from the start and held it throughout the game. The final score 25-18, in favor of Canalou. Latham for Canalou made 21 of the tallies while Farlong for Portageville accounted for 12 of the 18 points for her team. Moore and Newman each made eleven points for the Canalou five. Grubel was high point man for Portageville with 16 points. Two good games are expected to be played here tonight (Tuesday) when Matthews will call here for a couple of games. Matthews has a good girls' team this season and is expected to give the girls here a real tussle.

For no good reason at all, Cape Girardeau has gained a reputation of being snoozy. And the attitude extends into most walks of life.

They seem to have the idea "Cape Girardeau ueber alles", according to a school man's way of describing it.

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shipped eight cars of stock to St.  
Louis during recent day.

## IT WON'T BE LONG NOW!

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We have a few meters left that can be installed without a deposit.

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## SEE ME NOW IN MY NEW LOCATION

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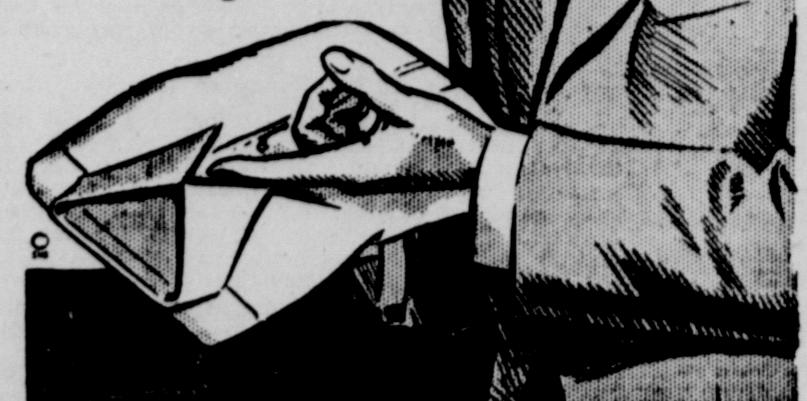
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## S. E. MISSOURI FOLK PLAY CONTEST FEB. 20

Cape Girardeau, February 4.—Seven casts are entered in the Southeast Missouri High School Folk Drama Tournament to be held at State Teachers' College, Saturday night, February 20, when they will compete for trophies for the best individual acting and presentation of student-written plays.

Schools entered, their plays and the authors are: Poplar Bluff, "Big Deer"; Aileen Ditzer, Doniphan, "The Channel of Blessings"; Frances Allen; Senath, "The Vanquished"; Bertha Groomes; Sikeston, "L'anse à la Graisse"; Ruth Powell; Oran, "The Harness Family"; Helen Matthews; Morley, "Red Is For Courage"; Nancy Leslie; Cape Girardeau, "Candles"; Maxine Isley.

Frances Allen, Doniphan senior, has been selected as winner of the play-writing contest in which students wrote original one-act folk plays on historical or modern incidents with which they were familiar. The winning play is based on the Indian legend of how Big Spring was created near Van Buren. Second

## M-2 FOUND BESIDE A GERMAN U-BOAT SUNK DURING WAR

Portland, England, February 4.—Divers today studied plans for raising the British submarine M-2, discovered in the wreck-strewn Dead Man's Bay lying alongside a German U-boat sunk during the World War.

The M-2 had been missing since January 26. Rescue vessels had worked over the area in the English Channel where she was found many times, but the sweeps had brought up only submarine signal flags.

The cause of the disaster has not been determined, nor have divers learned how many bodies of the sixty men aboard the submarine when she dived for the last time still are inside.

The M-2 was found about 5.8 miles off Portland Bill, where divers had inspected four wrecks within a radius of a quarter of a mile twenty-four hours after the submarine disappeared. The submarine is lying in 108 feet of water.

The use of venomous insects as auxiliaries in warfare is no new thing. History tells us that the Roman legionnaires were routed by bees as long ago as the time of Mithridates.

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## JUNIOR ACCOUNTING CLUB TO BE STARTED BY COUNTY AGENT FURRY

A junior farmers accounting club is being planned by County Agent Furry. The proposed club is to be made up of advanced high school boys and those in early twenties who are interested in keeping records on meet over a period of 14 months at their fathers farms. This club will times that are most convenient to the members.

The purpose of the club is to get more farm accounts kept on farms. The Missouri College of Agriculture is using the Illinois Farm Record Books for this work and accounts are being kept in practically all counties in the State. In Illinois over 5000 farmers keep these records in co-operation with the College of Agriculture which in turn assists the farmers in the work and assists in analyzing the years records for them.

The Club will be led personally by the agent. Two sets of books will be used by each club member. One will be used in the farm records at home while a "dummy book" will be used in the club work itself to train them to keep the actual book properly. This is for the purpose of uniform training and at same time the individual farm business is kept a matter for the individual itself and not subject to observation of other members.

Two at Benton have agreed to join one at Kelso. Membership will not be limited and is open to any interested. Those who may be interested in joining this club should immediately get in touch with the Agent as it is proposed to start this club the later part of the month. All records books are being furnished by the Agent.

## Sold Furniture For Car

Jefferson City, February 4.—Mrs. Eva Iola Templeton told Circuit Judge W. S. Stillwell today, that her husband, Warren L. Templeton, sold her furniture in order to purchase a motor car. She was granted a divorce.

Fairmount—Mrs. Julian Q. Stone opened bakery at 11016 Winner road. The longest day of the year, at London is 16½ hours.

## INDIGESTION

"My work is confining, and often I eat hurriedly, causing me to have indigestion. Gas will form and I will smother and have pains in my chest.

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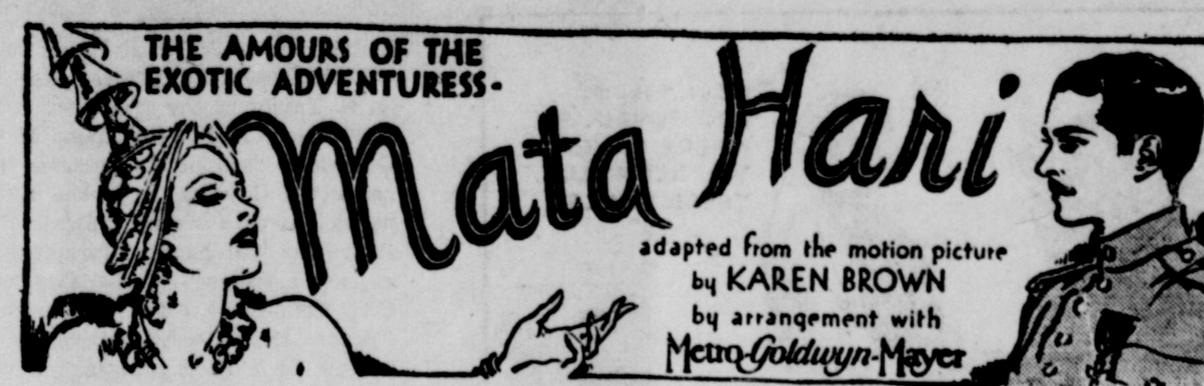
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## Chapter XI

Adriana had to call her several times before she stirred. She was all in black and had a coat with a fur collar over her arm. Her face had grown thinner and somehow softer. Had she wept sometimes perhaps during all these weeks when she had nothing to do but think and read and wait for Adriana to come with news of the world that she could only see from a few feet of window at the end of the room? Mother Durant says she called someone you know at the Russian Embassy. A very dangerous thing to do. You might have appealed to me."

"Thanks. I'll get my own news of him. I don't see much danger that's not of your making. I should not have hid. I should have gone about, and if they questioned me, known nothing about Shubin's—suicide. You say it's rumored he killed himself for my sake. What's that to me? Several men have killed themselves for my sake. Why, they're not even looking for me—by your account. And if I were going about, as usual, the matter would be quickly forgotten."

"What's this I hear about this new and complete madness of yours?" demanded Adriana, once permitting his anger to be visible in his frowning face and intent eyes. "What sort of a fantastic scheme have you concocted, when I have made everything ready for your escape?"

"So Mother Durant got word to you?"

"Of course Durant go word to me! Did you think you would be permitted to go? How Durant, whom I

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## LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM MORLEY

Mrs. Hiram Warner, who has been in a critical condition most of the time for the past year, died at the hospital at Farmington Tuesday.

The following out-of-town relatives attended the funeral of Mrs. Mollie Evans here Thursday: Warren Winters and daughter, Miss Lucille, of Jonesboro, Ark., Marvin Smith of Clay, Ky., Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Dobbs and daughter, Miss Retha, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Englehart and baby of Cape Girardeau, Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Evans of Oran, L. O. Williams of Vanduser, James Evans and son, Claud of Zalma, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Swaim and baby and Mrs. Anna Underwood of Sikeston.

Mrs. R. J. Tomlinson has been ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Losse at Fornfelt, the past week.

Dr. C. D. Harris, H. F. Emerson and Harris Foster left early Saturday morning for Florida for two weeks' fishing. They went by motor.

Joyce Emerson returned Thursday, after a few months' stay at Bragga-docio, where he was manager for a cotton gin.

Mrs. Ralph Vaughn was confined to her home by sickness a few days the past week.

Mesdames C. D. Cummins and Bob Darter were Cape Girardeau visitors Thursday.

Mrs. R. J. Dobbs of Cape Girardeau T. B. Evans of Upton, Ky., and James Evans of Zalma were called here Wednesday by the death of their mother, Mrs. Mollie Evans.

Mrs. Ruth Finney and C. D. Harris, Jr., went to Troy, Mo., Saturday for a brief visit with their brothers, Dr. Harold Harris and J. V. Harris.

Jake Curd of St. Louis is a guest of relatives here.

Jack Lee made another of his frequent trips to St. Louis Thursday.

Robbers entered the drug store owned by Dr. C. D. Harris Saturday night and several fountain pens and two watches were missed. Entranced was gained by breaking a window.

Morley girls lost to Diehlstadt last Thursday night at the Diehlstadt Tournament with a score of 43 to 19. They won from Anniston Saturday and played Bell City in the finals and won the cup in the losers' division.

## REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

John Barnes to J. A. Vogel, lots 10-12 block 11 C. & A. J. Matthews 2nd addition Oran, \$1.

Henry Lee to E. T. Lee, part lot 14, all 15, 16, 17, 18 block 8 McCay-Tanner 2nd addition Sikeston, lots 4, 5, 6 block 4 Sikes 3rd addition Sikes-ton, \$1.

Ann Winchester to J. M. Hetchcock 19-26-14, \$337.50.

Clarence Bernstein to Rolla Little, 200a 24-27-15, \$1.

The Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. to J. W. Baker, Sr., land 21-26-13, \$12,985.47.—Benton Democrat.

## SHORT TREATMENT CORRECTS DIGESTIVE AILMENTS FOR LOCAL GIRL 18 YEARS OLD

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## THE PRODIGAL RETURNS



### TO HOLD OUTLOOK CONFERENCE IN MADRID COUNTY FRIDAY, FEB. 19

County Extension Agent Scott M. Julian announces that arrangements have been completed for the holding of a New Madrid County Agricultural Outlook Conference. The time is Friday, February 19, at the Court House in New Madrid.

Arrangements have been made for College of Agriculture representatives to be present to discuss the general price outlook for the commodities which New Madrid County produces.

The purpose of this meeting is to acquaint local farmers with the general conditions likely to affect 1932 prices of things produced here, and to indicate what local farm adjustments may be made in order to meet the situation.

A study of this information is being recognized more and more by farmers as having tremendous importance because price fluctuations so vitally affect farm incomes.

The results at the conclusion of the recent economic survey will also be presented at the conference. This local information was secured in New Madrid County and indicates the shifts in farm operations now going on in the county. It also shows what local farmers intentions are for 1932. Arrangements as to the days program in detail will be made next week.

### CANALOU CENTER WINS PLACE ON ALL-STAR HOOP TEAM IN TOURNEY PLAY

The Canalou girls were defeated by the Illmo team in the tournament at Diehlstadt Saturday. This was a hard fought game and the Canalou girls were leading at the 1st, 2nd and 3rd quarters. In the last quarter the Illmo girls forged ahead and were 4 points in the lead when the game ended.

Gracie Newman, better known as 'Sissie', the running center for Canalou, was selected on the 1st all-star team at this tournament.

## WANT ADS

FOR RENT—Furnished room, steam heat. Phone 315. tf.

WANTED—Light house work or care for invalid or two small children. Miss Julie Holmes, 334 Trotter St. tf-34.

FOUND—A large bed blanket. Owner can have same by describing it and paying for this notice.—J. W. Stone.

FOR RENT—Nine-room house, 837 Park Ave. Write W. T. Walker, 4310 O'Bear Ave., St. Louis, Mo. 2t-37

FOR RENT—Rooms for housekeeping.—805 North Kingshighway, tf-38

FOR RENT—Modern 5-room steam heated apartment, including hot water year round. Reasonable. Phone 609w.—T. A. Slack, 1t-38

FOR RENT—Modern bed room.—218 N. Stoddard, phone 109.—Mrs. M. G. Gresham, tf-38.

### GRAND PIANO BARGAIN

We are offering for sale in the vicinity of Sikeston, one beautiful apartment size grand piano, only used a few months and guaranteed the same as new. Will sell for balance due on contract, only \$327. Original price \$650. Will accept your old piano in trade and arrange easy terms. For particulars address P. A. Stark Piano Co., 1018 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo.

## Illmo Wins Diehlstadt Hoop Contest Defeating Hosts in Final Game Saturday Night

Illmo won first place in the Diehlstadt girls' invitation tournament played Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Diehlstadt, by trouncing their hosts in the final tilt Saturday night.

Perryville defeated Morley in the consolation bracket to take third place.

The twelve Southeast Missouri teams participating in the second annual event included, Diehlstadt, East Prairie, Blodgett, Bell City, Vandeventer, Morley, Canalou, Illmo, Anniston, Perryville, Essex and Fornfelt.

The tourney opened Thursday night with four games Perryville defeating Anniston 24 to 6, while the Essex girls downed Fornfelt 37 to 10.

J. Malone of Diehlstadt saved her team for the finals by sinking a field goal in the last two seconds of play against East Prairie, winning the game 20 to 19, in the second tourney racket Friday, while Illmo defeated Canalou 33 to 29.

Two exhibition boys' games were on the schedule Friday night in which the Diehlstadt boys spilled the dope by sending the Cape Girardeau College Preps home with a 21 to 15 defeat. Fornfelt boys defeated Anniston 35 to 14 in the second game.

Ten games were played Saturday.

J. Malone of Diehlstadt was leading scorer of the tournament with 89 points. Bowers of Illmo came second with 72 markers.

All-star selections made by coaches and Lyman Dale of Cape Girardeau, tourney referee, include the following:

**First Team**  
J. Malone, Diehlstadt, forward  
Bowers, Illmo, forward  
Newman, Cape, running center  
Skelton, Diehlstadt, jump center  
Diamond, Perryville, guard  
Moore, East Prairie, guard

**Second Team**  
Wallace, Bell City, forward  
Corleu, Essex, forward  
Hall, Illmo, jump center  
Cunningham, Morley, running center  
Franklin, Diehlstadt, guard  
Hoeh, Perryville, guard

**BROTHER OF FILM STAR TO APPEAR IN KENNEDY**

Johnnie Woolsey's orchestra will play for a dance at Kennett, Mo., February 22. Woolsey is a brother to Robert Woolsey, the film funster, and promises to furnish some very clever and unique novelty numbers as well as good dance music. The dance will be sponsored by the Junior Council.

### FINDS JOB IN MOLINE

Raymond Kirby, who left here two weeks ago on a job hunting trip, reported to his mother, Mrs. N. I. Kirby, Friday, that he had secured employment with Hickey Brothers Stores of Moline, Ill. Kirby left Sikeston in company with an acquaintance whom he met last fall in Little Rock, Ark.

### STOVE EXPLOSION DAMAGES CHARLESTON BEAUTY SHOP

Charleston, Mo., February 5.—The Vogue beauty parlor, which occupies two rooms on the third floor of the Charleston Bank Buildings, suffered \$500 damages this morning when a small oil stove exploded and set fire to the interior of the operating room. The building was damaged \$150.

A British submarine is down on the floor of the English Channel, with a crew of 62. No one likes to dwell on what is taking place within the vessel's walls. An expert offers a grim grain of comfort. He says that his examination of similar wrecks leads him to think that the men trapped in submarines slip out of the world by a painless suffocation route, and without any consciousness of the fact that they are dying.

Mr. Carson is employed by Carson and Righter, truck operators here. For the time being Mr. and Mrs. Carson will make their home with his cousin, Pearl Allen, in Sikeston.

### DANIEL G. TAYLOR FAVORS DEARMONT FOR GOVERNORSHIP

By Curtis A. Betts, in Post-Dispatch

Endorsement by former Judge Daniel G. Taylor of the candidacy of Senator Russell L. Dearmont of Cape Girardeau for the Democratic nomination for Governor is looked upon by politicians as a strong indication that Dearmont will have material support among members of the Democratic City Committee. The supporters of Francis M. Wilson, Dearmont's opponent, have been counting on virtually the entire committee for Wilson.

With Taylor openly for Dearmont there is now a line-up of most of the "financial angels" of the St. Louis Democratic organization for the Cape Girardeau Senator, others including W. Frank Carter and Tom K. Smith, having signed the Dearmont-for-governor club roster several weeks ago.

There is no doubt that the natural tendency of the St. Louis committeemen would be to follow the Pendleton organization of Kansas City in support of Wilson, but it will be extremely difficult for the local politicians to go against the wishes of the men who have handed over \$50, \$100 or \$500 whenever the organization treasury was empty and money was needed to keep things going.

Wilson's manager in St. Louis, former Congressman William L. Igoe, for many years has had much influence with the members of the party committee, and as against almost any group except Taylor, Carter, Smith and their associates, could dictate committed action in a primary. But in view of the situation as it has developed the informed politicians are expecting primary results to show that Dearmont has had the support of considerably more than a majority of the committee.

Though Dearmont has not yet begun a speaking campaign he has been visiting many counties in connection with organization work begun by his supporters. Strong Dearmont organizations have been formed in Buchanan, Jasper, Nodaway, Andrew and Holt Counties, as well as all the southeastern Missouri counties.

In endorsing Dearmont, Taylor said he considered him "a courageous young man, fundamentally sound upon the important principles of government, such a man as the State needs for Governor". Taylor said he believed Dearmont would be nominated.

The endorsement was given by Taylor in connection with a statement that he would not be a candidate for Democratic National Committeeman. As was told in the Post-Dispatch several weeks ago, many of Taylor's friends, active in Democratic politics, had urged him to seek the place.

### STRANGE FISH CAUGHT IN ST. FRANCIS RIVER BAFFLES FISHERMEN

Forrest City, Ark., February 5.—Baffling fishermen and local scientists is a strange fish on exhibit here which was caught by R. E. Williams at Big Eddy on the St. Francis River. No one has been able to identify it. It is seven inches long, on each side near the head are seven air holes. It has three eyes in a row across the top of its head. Its teeth are arranged in circles.

The fish is slick and swims like an eel. It sticks to the side of the glass bowl with a suction grip and cannot be pulled away by hand. When caught in a net the fish was attached to a buffalo fish, which soon died. Williams attached the freak fish to another buffalo, which also soon died. It is thought that it sucks the blood of its captive.

Dr. H. M. Todd, local sportsman, is interested in having it identified.

### U. S. FLEET READY TO GO TO SHANGHAI IF NEEDED

Washington, Feb. 2.—The United States battle fleet, now steaming toward Hawaii for maneuvers, is equipped to keep on going to Shanghai should events there require its presence, Secretary of the Navy Adams said this afternoon.

At Laconia, N. H., recently a man was fined \$100 in municipal court on a charge of "intent to drive an automobile while under the influence of liquor". It was the first arrest under a new State law which provides that the man in the driver's seat, if intoxicated, can be arrested as soon as the ignition switch is turned on.

Washington Hocks reports he saw a truck load of mules passing through here Tuesday. He says if horses, mules and hogs keep on riding around in trucks, they will soon begin to think they are as good as we are.—Commercial Appeal.

A young argument started around the stove at the Rye Straw store this morning, but when the storekeeper let the fire go down, it died in its infancy.—Commercial Appeal.

### EIGHT MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE GIVEN BY FAYETTE MO. SCHOOL THIS YEAR

Fayette, Mo.—All applications for music scholarships for next year in the Swinney Conservatory of Music at Central College must be made before May 1, it has been announced by Dr. N. Louise Wright, director of the Conservatory and professor of music in Central College.

Eight music scholarships, four of which include all cost of music instruction offered by the Conservatory, are offered each year to graduates of Missouri high schools. Four others include one-half the cost of any music instruction. Students receiving the scholarship must attend Central College the first year after their graduation from high school if they are to receive the benefit of the scholarships.

### JAPAN'S WEAK SPOT

A precipitous fall in the price of silk in Yokohama, due to fear of cut-throat American purchases, shows where Japan's weak spot is located, and gives an inkling of the effectiveness of the Chinese boycott. There are indications that even without concerted action abroad, the pressure on Japanese industry created by the country's militarist policy will result in a domestic crisis.

The population of Japan, almost stationary for a thousand years, has doubled since 1870. Sixty million people are cooped up on islands with

only half as much arable land as is found in the State of Iowa. This increase was made possible by and is supported by industrialization, centering in cotton exports to China and silk exports to the United States. Disruption of half of this trade means an approach to starvation; disruption of it all means bankruptcy and prostration.

Japan, built on silk and cotton, is like an inflated, bomb-carrying balloon, powerful while in the air, but with no place to come down.—St. Louis Star.

St. Paul knew his legislatures when he said that of the making of books there was no end. About seventeen thousand new laws were created last year.

Explorers have uncovered what they believe to be the tomb of Pharaoh's daughter, who found Moses in the bullrushes, and scientists have discovered the bones of an extinct bird which was large enough to carry off a man, as described in the Arabian Nights. The myth and legend theory may have to be laid aside as a means for accounting for everything strange and unusual in the writings of the remote past. The old timers may have had good eyes, ears and memories, rather than good imaginations.

Higginsville—Survey being made of Blue Book route between this city and Corder.

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